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BRITAIN AND THE BLOCKADE

London Not To Recognise Ban On Foreign Shipping CANTON NOT YET TOLD

London, June 28.

Britain has now definitely decided not to recognise the Chinese Nationalist Government's closing of territorial waters in Communist-administered areas to foreign shipping, it is learned from a usually reliable source today.

The decision to send the British naval sloop Alacrity to stand by outside territorial waters in the neighbourhood of Shanghai to aid British shipping if need be is believed here to have been co-ordinated with top level diplomatic policy.

Britain's decision has not yet been formally conveyed to the Chinese Government.

CNAC

Planning New Routes

The Chinese National Aviation Corporation is at present planning to inaugurate two air routes from the Colony.

The new routes will be the Hong Kong-Macao-Kongmoon service and the Hong Kong-Wuchow run.

Two amphibious Catalinas have been purchased by the CNAC and trail flights between the Colony and Macao have been conducted in the past few days.

It has not yet been decided when the new air service will start.

Emphasis On Economic Warfare

Emphasis will be placed on economic warfare in Marshal Yen Hsi-shan's overall plans to fight the Chinese Communists, according to yesterday's vernacular "Kung Sheng Yat Po".

Quoting sources close to Marshal Yen, the newspaper added that the overall plans for ousting the Chinese Communists and taking lost territory have been completed.

It said that the plans have been approved by Acting President General Li Tsung-jen and blessed by Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek in his capacity as Director-General of the Kuomintang.

The newspaper added that, according to its informant, Marshal Yen has predicted a change shortly in the China situation which will be favourable to the Nationalists.

He was quoted to have said that the Nationalists' neglected economic warfare in the past in their fight against the Communists. This neglect has been mainly responsible for the present situation.

Marshal Yen was reported to have added that the Communists are steadily forcing the results of the Nationalists' closure of certain ports.

The newspapers informant added that Marshal Yen has declared that plans for the defence of South China were not enough.

There must be plans for holding both South China and Central China against the Communists. Such plans have been completed he added.

THE WEATHER

At 0900 GMT (2 p.m. HKST) little change. The trough extends from N. to the Yangtze mouth and thence Eastward. An anticyclone is centred E. of Hondo and the Pacific high pressure ridge extends across the Philippines.

Today's Forecast—Moderate NW winds, fresh at times. Fair and warm.

Yesterday's Weather—
Maximum: 85.0 deg. F.
Minimum: 81.0 deg. F.
Rainfall: 0.0 in.

Readings at 10 a.m. 6 p.m.
Sun: at 10.0 a.m. 104.7 deg. F.
Average of 10.0 a.m. to 6 p.m. 104.7 deg. F.

Bar: at 10.0 a.m. 30.07 in.
at 6 p.m. 30.07 in.

Rel. Humidity: 75 %
Dew Point: 77 deg. F.
Wind: from S.W. 10 to 15 knots.
Wave: 2 to 3 ft.
Moon: 100 %
Phase: Full
Low: 10.0 a.m.
High: 6 p.m.

Oranges For Berlin's Youth



Berlin's railway strike, which has lasted for 38 days, ended yesterday when workers returned to their jobs. Although rail traffic has not yet been resumed, sights like the one above, showing Berlin youngsters eating what is to them a delicacy—oranges—should be common once again once the trains start moving again.—AP Photo.

Shanghai's Price Trend Showing Signs Of Cracking

Shanghai, June 28.

Shanghai's price trend is showing signs of cracking after holding steady for nearly three weeks up to the last week-end.

The official indication of this is provided by a fourth successive rise for the value of parity savings deposit units—which is based on the cost of four vital necessities, rice, coal briquettes, peanut-oil and cotton cloth—which was quoted today by the People's Bank of China at 395 Jen Min Piao.

This is an increase of 21 per cent on the quotation of June 23, when the unit stood at 319. One result of the rise in commodity prices is that the city's employers, most of whom are doing no business, until the blockade situation is clarified, will have to dig deeper into their reserves to meet the June end payrolls, now based entirely on the rice price which today stood around 10,000 Jen Min Piao a picul, as compared with only about 12,000 on the mid-June pay-day.

Normally, a picul of rice costs the equivalent of between five and six United States dollars, but owing mainly to shortage, it stands now around \$11.50.

According to observers, unless this state of affairs is quickly remedied, all hopes of reviving Shanghai's export trade will vanish as the high cost of labour will inevitably cause a sharp rise in the price of Chinese export products, and place them out of the reach of foreign businessmen.

Dumping Goods

As a preliminary measure to halt the price spiral, the authorities have resumed the dumping of commodities. The state-owned China Vegetable Oil Company, yesterday unloaded more than 25,000 pounds of sesame seed oil and 10,000 tons of vegetable oil on the market while the Shanghai Food Company dumped 15,000 bags of flour of various grades, and the China Textile Corporation 100,000,000 worth of cotton yarn.

It is also intended to dump sugar and other commodities in the coming days. But observers said that the operation would have to be on a larger scale and sustained over a certain period to have any effect on prices in a city of the size of Shanghai.

Meanwhile, the cost of imported goods continues to soar as a result of the shipping situation. Many foreign families have already been compelled to give up Australian and American butter, cheese and powdered milk because of their high prices for local substitutes.

POLITICAL CRISIS MAY FOLLOW ECONOMIC SLUMP IN BRITAIN

London, June 27.

Groat Britain is facing an economic crisis and well-informed sources said that the Finance Ministers of the British Commonwealth countries have been invited to London to discuss a drain on gold and dollar reserves which is part of the crisis.

So serious is the situation that political experts believe a political crisis may result and bring a general Parliamentary election this autumn.

The decline in stocks, led by gilt-edged Government securities, became alarming today in a wave of frightened selling. The industrial average closed at 100.1, the lowest since the dark days of July 1942 when the German Afrika Korps threatened Alexandria.

The Index of Government stocks closed at 109.37, the lowest since September 1940, when this country awaited a German invasion.

The drain of gold and American dollar reserves, the economic life blood of the country, continues steadily. Finance experts say the next gold dollar figures, to be published early next month, may be even more alarming.

Dollar earnings are falling off because buyers abroad are awaiting hopefully for the pound sterling to be devalued.

Against this grim background, the United States and Britain are seriously divided on some big economic questions.

One is that of converting currencies used in trade exchanges between Marshall Plan countries. The other is the five-year, \$1,000,000,000 trade agreement which Britain signed with Argentina in Buenos Aires today, apparently in defiance of American protests that it is too exclusive in nature and will hurt American trade.

Well-informed sources reported that the Government had asked the Commonwealth Finance Ministers here because of the seriousness of the gold dollar drain and that they probably would meet in London in about two weeks.

Cut In Imports?

Sir Stafford Cripps, Chancellor of the Exchequer, may present a plan at the meeting for a drastic reduction of imports to save dollars. Political experts said that any such programme to make the post-war life of the average Briton even more dreary, might compel the Government to call a general election this autumn instead of awaiting the end of the present Parliament a year from now.

Leading members of the Cabinet, including those who form its economic policy committee, met tonight at No. 10 Downing Street, the official residence of the Prime Minister, to hear a report from Sir Stafford on a talk he had today with Mr. W. Averell Harriman, American Ambassador for the Marshall Plan.

The Cripps-Harriman talk concerned the dispute over currency convertibility in connection with trade among Marshall Plan countries. It was understood that the Cabinet supported Sir Stafford fully in opposition to American ideas in the dispute.

Mr. Harriman, new here from Paris to talk to the American Ambassador, Mr. Louis Douglas, on the situation. Sir Stafford asked for a conference as soon as he learned of Mr. Harriman's arrival and he, Mr. Harriman and Mr. Douglas conferred for an hour—United Press.

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LIBERALS WIN IN CANADA

Montreal, June 28.

The Prime Minister, Mr. Louis St. Laurent's Liberal administration, was returned to power in Canada's general parliamentary election today scoring the greatest landslide victory in the nation's history.

Mr. George Drew, former Premier of Ontario and leader of the Progressive Conservative Party that was expected to furnish the administration's greatest opposition, conceded a decisive Liberal victory.

At midnight the unofficial return showed that the Liberals, who held 125 seats in the last Parliament, had elected 162 members and were leading in 27 of the 265 constituencies. There were 282 seats in the House of Commons.

The Progressive Conservatives had captured 29 seats and were leading in 11. They held 68 seats in the last Parliament. The Conservatives' vote, which had 32 seats in the last Parliament, was compared with the 41 they polled in the 1945 election. Most impressive were their sweeping gains in Ontario and Quebec, where Mr. Drew, backed by the Premier, Mr. Maurice Duplessis, National Union organization, expected his Progressive Conservatives to score decisive victories.—United Press.

TO INVESTIGATE PASSPORT ISSUE

Canton, June 28.

The Control Yuan has moved to investigate the Foreign Ministry practice of issuing passports to unqualified applicants. It was charged that since April 1, more than 100 diplomatic passports, 100 official passports and 600 unofficial passports had been issued, and that the holders of official passports were using them for private travel.—United Press.

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Welcome Relief For New York

Chicago, June 28.

A mass of cool air swept across New England and into the New York City area last night, dipping temperatures as much as 30 degrees and bringing welcome relief to millions caught in the grip of a 17-day heat-wave.

Weather observers said the cool air would extend South to the Trenton, N.J. area and that the cool temperatures might continue for 24 hours before hot winds from the South dissipate them.

In New York City the mercury shot down eight degrees—from 74 to 76—between 10.35 and 10.50 p.m. It was expected to touch 70 by morning. At Hartford, Connecticut, the temperature dropped from 80 degrees at 8.30 p.m. to 69 at 9.30 p.m. and in Trenton, a low of 66 was expected before day-light.

However, despite the drop in temperature and humidity there appeared little possibility of rain for the first time in the period.

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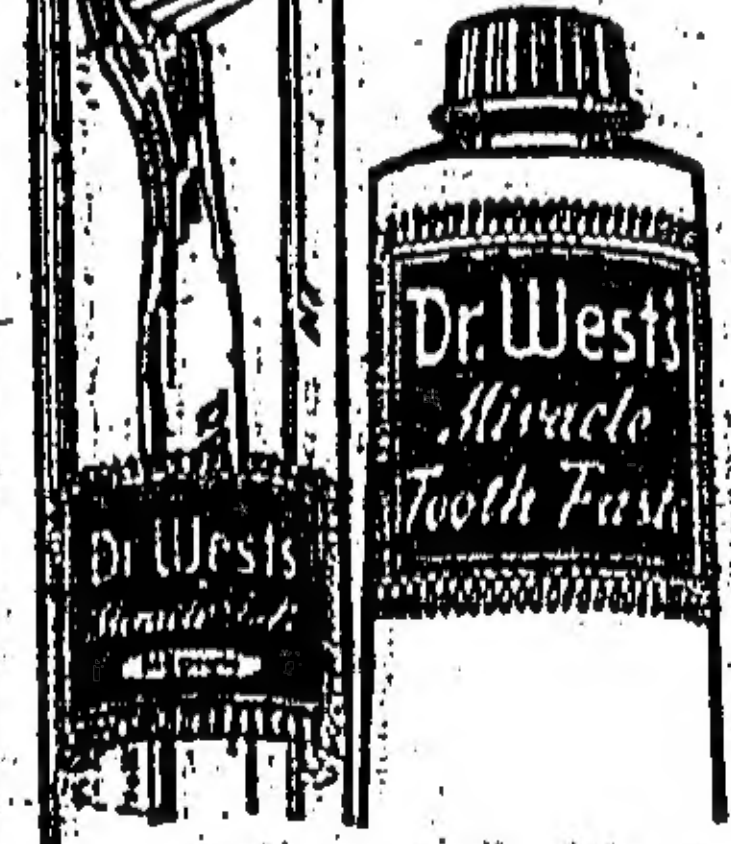
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Court Sequel To Tragical Wing On Godown Fire

The disastrous Wing On Godown fire on September 22, 1948, in which over 100 were burned to death, was recalled at Central yesterday before Mr. F. X. d'Almada.

The occasion was the hearing of two summonses against Kwok Lam-po and Willie Lum, Managing Director and Director, respectively, of Wing On and Co., Ltd.

General Ho In Macao

General Ho Ying-chin, former Premier and Defence Minister of China, arrived in Macao on Monday, according to vernacular reports last night.

He was accompanied by General Tang Lung-kuang, Pacification Commander for Kwangtung, and Vice-Admiral Yang Yuan-chung, Commander of the Fourth Naval Base.

General Ho declined to see the Press. His only statement was that he is on a tour to Chungshan District.

Personalia

Passengers who arrived from the United Kingdom yesterday by the BOAC were: Mr. M. King, Miss E. M. King, Mr. D. O. Tebbitt, Miss E. D. P. Oldman, Captain E. W. Ruston, Lieutenant Colonel R. C. Symonds, Major D. C. F. Chute and Mr. J. R. Clute.

Two passengers arrived here yesterday from Bangkok by the American Airways. They were: Mr. Milton Hain and Mr. Marion Jamieson.

Yesterday's air arrivals from Canton Airways were: Reverend J. S. Pulaski, Mrs. L. R. Allen and Mr. J. C. Smith.

Mr. O. R. Manill, Secretary of the International YMCA, will address the Y's Men's Club of Hong Kong on Thursday at the Roof Garden, Hong Kong Hotel. His subject will be "Behind the Headlines".

Among the passengers who left for South Africa and South America yesterday by the ss. Tegelberg were: Mrs. E. A. Burch, Miss P. Burch, Mrs. Durup, Mr. and Mrs. H. G. Frost, Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Howard, Mr. N. Karapovich, Mr. and Mrs. G. T. May, Mr. P. A. Moss, Mr. F. Ozorio, Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Park, Miss C. Sully, Mr. de Litz Teixeira, Mr. A. Thababonoff, Mr. C. Tuller, Dr. G. Vamus, Mrs. Yeh Hui-fen, Mr. F. Y. Gellion and Mr. C. W. Alden.

Departures from the Peninsula Hotel on Monday included General and Mrs. E. K. Moy, Mrs. G. S. Erant, Mrs. S. C. Dashiell, Messrs. L. L. Wong, R. Sepp, K. Puri, J. V. Verran, E. R. Morgan, J. J. G. Hay, B. J. H. Deventry, M. M. Phillips, L. R. Mullin, A. J. Adey, F. Redshaw, W. L. Harris, T. H. Chow, P. K. Mei, R. J. Head, V. E. Saunders, and W. J. Wingfield.

Among the arrivals on Monday at the Peninsula Hotel were Mrs. A. E. Allen, Mr. and Mrs. A. I. Vaillet, Dr. and Mrs. F. W. Kroll, Messrs. F. Young, B. K. Nagli, G. Hubby, J. Scott, A. B. Khan, D. Zealand, R. J. Buchanan, B. Sheridan, H. L. Nichols, J. A. Uim, F. E. Proust, D. Osborne, and A. E. Allen.

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Prosecution Statements Called Fabrications

HK Thanked For Gifts

At a ceremony at the Commonwealth Gift Centre, London, on Monday the Hon. George Lambert thanked Hong Kong for food gifts to Britain to the value of HK\$250,000 and weighing 200 tons.

The ceremony was attended by Mr. Shum Chai-sang and Mr. Zealand Kwong, Hong Kong Journalists, who were welcomed by Mr. J. S. Lewis, Director of the Commonwealth Gift Centre.

Mr. Lambert said: "The British people enormously appreciated the generosity of Hong Kong which had done so much to help strengthen and improve the present somewhat meagre diet. All recipients would remember kindly the thought of donors."

Mr. Kwong said: "Hong Kong was glad to help Britain in her present food troubles and he hoped it would continue to help."

Detectives Were On Losing End

For obtaining money by false pretences from several detectives, Ng Wah-chi, aged 30, unemployed was yesterday sentenced to three months' hard labour and recommended for deportation by Mr. J. Wicks at Kowloon Magistracy.

Outlining the facts, Detective Sub-Inspector A. Taylor said that defendant gave false information to different detectives and obtained money from them.

On June 3, defendant approached Detective Sergeant Tam Chung at Wooning Street and told him that he knew of three men who had revolvers. Defendant told him that he could supply him with further information provided Tam would give him \$10. The money was given to him by Tam.

Later in the evening, defendant met Tam at a cafe and asked for a further \$10. Tam gave him \$10 and defendant left the cafe and did not return.

The following day, Tam saw defendant in the street with another detective, Lau Fook, who had been given the same information by defendant. Lau Fook revealed that defendant gave the same false information to different detectives on four previous occasions.

Concluding the prosecution, DSI Taylor said that people like defendant have a habit of making money in this way, and they are hard to guard against.

In passing sentence, the magistrate remarked that defendant had gone to the length of leading a useful life in the Colony.

Ex-Colonel's Neat Office Robberies

A former Chinese Lieutenant Colonel, who spent his week-ends systematically breaking into offices and taking what he liked with an ease and complacency that would have done credit to Houdini, came to justice at Central yesterday.

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Allegations that certain statements attributed to them by the prosecution in connection with the Lockhart Road robbery of January 20 were police fabrications were made by two men at their trial yesterday.

Chiu Shung-hau, 20-year-old accused, denying the criminal charges against him from the witness stand, said that the statements—one of which said in effect that he owned a certain pistol—were not what he told the police.

Chiu Shung-hau and Chiu Chiu, are both standing trial before the Chief Justice, Sir Leslie Gibson, and a jury of six men and one woman.

They are charged with taking part in an armed robbery at 459 Lockhart Road on January 20, and with possession of arms and ammunition.

First accused is also facing one count each of shooting with intent, possession of 14 rounds of ammunition, and wounding with intent.

First accused is alleged to have gotten a \$2,000 loan from a relative at the point of a gun, and to have forced him to draw up some documents in connection with it.

Mr. Percy Chen instructed by Mr. J. C. Stewart, is defending both accused. Mr. A. Hooton, Crown Counsel, assisted by DSI J. R. Sykes, is prosecuting.

Chiu Shung-hau said in evidence that the complainant, Chiu Chiu-yi, was a distant uncle of his.

On January 20, he continued, he went with two friends to the Lee Theatre, after which they went to a nearby cafe. From there the three went over to the complainant's house at his suggestion.

Asks For Loan

Chiu went on to say that they were greeted by complainant who had tea and refreshments served. They then had a general conversation, in the course of which Chiu asked complainant for a loan of \$100. Complainant replied that it was at the end of the year he had no money to lend him.

"I threatened him to go with me to the front bedroom and speak to him there," Chiu continued, "I asked him there again for the loan, telling him that I had just come from Canton."

Complainant answered "I thought you had something new to speak to me, but you keep on repeating the same thing."

Complainant, it is alleged, remarked that since his nephew had gone into bad company, he had spent so much money. His friend, accused continued, in view of what complainant had said, asked complainant if he meant that he had made complainant's nephew a bad man.

The friend, accused said, then picked up the cover of a Chinese ink-pot, which complainant had been using, and struck complainant on the head with it.

Chiu told the Court that he was alarmed at this. He rose from his place at the table and brought complainant's head to the ground. The latter's head was bleeding profusely. When he had sat the complainant down on the bed he himself went over to nearby dressing table to search for some cotton wool with which to dress his uncle's head.

On turning round, accused stated, he beheld complainant walking towards the door of the room with a gun in his hand. Chiu said he at once jumped over

to where complainant was and seized him from behind, at the same asking him what he was going to do.

Gun Goes Off

In the course of trying to prevent complainant from emerging from the room into the sitting room, accused said, the gun went off. After this shot, complainant became a little frightened. Accused then led him to a drawer and opened it for the complainant to place the gun inside. This complainant did.

When the \$2,000 was passed on to him, he asked complainant whether or not a proof of the transaction was needed, to which the latter, it is alleged, replied: "Business is business." Complainant then wrote out a document himself, he added, which he signed.

The next day, accused went on, he came back to the premises, where he was met by three or four plain-clothes policemen. One of them caught hold of him and after some questioning, handcuffed him. The policeman told him that they were making inquiries about a robbery and that they hoped he could be of some help.

Accused said he replied in the negative to a question put by the police there as to whether he and two others had come the night before and robbed the place. At the arrival of Inspector Sykes, he went on, the Inspector ordered the handcuffs removed.

He was taken to the police station where he was questioned in the presence of the Inspector and a number of detectives, he said.

Regarding the statement alleged to have been made by him to the police to the effect that he had hit complainant on the head with the butt of a pistol, accused declared that he did not say such a thing. Asked how this came to be written down by the Inspector, accused said that those were not his voluntary statements. He had replied negatively to those questions, he added.

Seaside House And Grounds For RAF Men

Through the generosity of local Chinese resident, airman of RAF Station, Kai Tak, have been given the use of a seaside house and grounds as a leave centre.

Situated at Silverstrand, the Leave Centre stands on high ground, overlooking an inlet of the East coast of the Kowloon peninsula. Some 150 feet below is a small sheltered cove with a pleasant sandy beach where the airman can swim, laze and sunbathe all the day long amid scenery reminiscent of parts of Cornwall.

The house has not yet been rehabilitated from the damage it received during the Japanese occupation. It contains, however, sufficient room to house 12 airman and a further eight can be accommodated in tents in the grounds.

An added advantage of the Silverstrand Leave Centre is its close proximity to Kai Tak. Apart from bathing, there are facilities for more strenuous games and for the evening a wireless set has been provided.

Supervision of the guests is reduced to a minimum, the camp having a staff of five NCOs in charge: Sergeant W. Quinn, of Balmokier, Co. Cork, Eire, and the cook, Aircraftman P. Alderson, of 4 Dragon Road, Leeds, Yorks.

No charge is made for any airman visiting the camp and service ration are provided.

MYSTERIOUS JUNKS SIGHTED

Macao, June 28.—Fishermen operating off Macao have reported that they saw two mysterious Chinese junk boats near Kow Chow. The junks were armed with machine-guns.

The junks sighted the fishing boat to approach them.

While the fishermen were fleeing from the junks, they heard machine-gun fire, said the fishermen.

The fishermen also saw two junks on board the junks.

Kow Chow is a group of nine islands, lying miles from the Port of Macao, between the

Reminders

Today—

HK Art Club monthly exhibition, St. John's Cathedral Hall, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Tee Club meeting at Talbot House, 50, Macdonnell Road, 3.30 p.m.

Recital by Carol Bateman's pupils (in aid of Fanning Bales Home), Helena May Institute, 5.30 p.m.

Whist Drive, Ladies' Section, European YMCA.

Sino-British Club Orchestra rehearsal, Cosmo Club, 6 p.m.

Ordinance of Denham Cursey, St. John's Cathedral, 7.30 p.m.

Past & Present Officers of Royal Engineers, dinner at HK Club, 7.30 p.m.

Coming Events

TOMORROW

European YMCA "Barnstormers" entertainment, Servicemen, 8 p.m. (no charge for admission).

HK Art Club monthly exhibition, St. John's Cathedral Hall, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.

HK Union Church, Ladies' Guild meeting, Helena May Institute, 3 p.m.

VRC swimming gala, 6.15 p.m. Kowloon Rotary Club, luncheon, at Peninsula Hotel, 12.30 p.m.

Y's Men's Club of Hong Kong, luncheon at Root Garden, HK Hotel, 12.45 p.m.

FRIDAY

Canada Day, Service at Salween Military Cemetery, 9.55 a.m.

Reception at Hong Kong Club annex, 7 to 8.30 p.m.

Canada Club of Hong Kong, dinner dance, Root Garden, HK Hotel, 7.45 p.m.

St. Paul's College, Speech Day, 5 p.m.

CEMETERY CASE CLOSES

The Catholic Cemetery case, in which Clementino Maria Almaro, sexton of the Cemetery, is charged with forging a burial notification and possession of the document, closed yesterday after defence counsel, Mr. A. el Arculli, had made his submission.

Almaro's co-defendant, a his wife, Margaret Tse, is charged with aiding and abetting in the forgery.

Addressing the bench, Mr. Arculli, after dealing with the merits of the case, submitted that the section relevant to the charge of forgery, the prosecution should prove intent to defraud. In this case, he pointed out, there was no fraud involved.

Father Grampa, he said, received the \$50 burial fee that he is entitled to. The extra money which defendant was alleged to have received, he said, was paid with the knowledge of the people that it was for the burial market, and there was therefore no question of fraud.

As to the charge of possession, counsel submitted that defendant was in possession of the document, he had himself admitted in his evidence that he did not know that they were forged until after he was arrested. As the sexton of the cemetery he had lawful authority to be in possession of such documents.

Regarding second defendant, Mr. Arculli said she had frankly admitted that she had forged the document and was actually the principal and not the aider or abettor.

Judgment was reserved until noon tomorrow.

Committed For Alleged Murder

Cheung Woon, the 26-year-old-thinker was yesterday committed for trial at Kowloon by Mr. Blair-Kerr for the alleged murder of Cheung Pui.

The prosecution story was that on the night of May 19, after a dinner at defendant's house, at an unnumbered hut at Nam Hong Village, Taiipo, New Territories, defendant quarrelled with Cheung Pui and during the quarrel defendant was alleged to have chopped off Cheung Pui's head.

Defendant was alleged to have placed the head in a bamboo basket and later to have taken it into a hillside for burial.

Profit Reported At Company Meeting

A net profit of HK\$5,688.83 for the year ended July 31, 1948, was made by the Hong Kong and Canton Ice Manufacturing Company Limited who held their 22nd annual general meeting at Windsor House yesterday.

The chairman, Mr. E. R. Hill, said the amount was much less than of the preceding year, and he attributed the decrease to the depreciation of the Chinese currency.

The meeting endorsed the Board's recommendation that the net profit should be transferred to profit and loss account reducing its debit balance to HK\$13,458.72.

Addressing shareholders the chairman said: "While all expenses have been reduced by some \$2,000, receipts from the renting of our building in Canton have dropped by approximately \$7,700 to \$15,600."

That position would state as a result of the depreciated Chinese currency in the latter part of 1948, the Chinese Government instituted gold yuan currency in place of national dollars. The gold yuan did not long maintain its issued value and a relatively short period it was at a discount with the currency of the Colony. A number of our tenants took advantage of that position and paid outstanding rents in gold yuan which, when converted, showed a considerable deficiency in terms of Hong Kong dollars. We had no course other than to accept these payments since the currency of the country is the basis of rent assessments.

Small Revision

"Since the outstanding rent position has been cleared up, we have been able to make more satisfactory arrangements with tenants for the payment of rents although some small downward revision of these had to be made by reason of an adjustment in the value of our ground and building in Shanghai."

"The Company's cash position is very satisfactory and a recent meeting of your Board the question of paying some part of the balance of \$98,000 to shareholders was discussed. Since the Company is carrying a debit balance in profit and loss account a payment to shareholders from these funds would in effect be a dividend out of capital which the law does not permit."

"The matter is linked with our previously stated intention to endeavour to dispose of the building. Your Board has not received an offer of purchase for the building and until conditions in China have resolved themselves a sale is unlikely. Earlier in the year this building was inspected by a representative of your general managers and the report on its condition was satisfactory."

"No sums are included in the accounts for directors' fees and for office expenses of the general managers. It is intended, as was agreed at our last ordinary yearly meeting, that these be adjusted in the final analysis if and when the building is sold."

Report Adopted

Mr. Hill informed shareholders that an order had been received from the Registrar of Companies

substituting the reconstructed register of members for the original register which was lost during the war.

Upon the proposal of the chairman, seconded by Mr. G. W. Sewell, the report and accounts were unanimously adopted.

Mr. P. Loureiro, a shareholder, then suggested that a refund of capital to shareholders at HK\$2 a share, should be made out of the large cash balance of HK\$20,000 which was lying idle and carrying very little interest at the Bank. Such a refund, he said, was legal, and also desirable, since the Company was eventually to be wound up after the sale of its Canton property.

The chairman said the Board would look into the matter.

The two retiring Directors, Mr. P. Vassila and Mr. Ho Kom-fong, were re-elected; and Percy Sewell and Company were appointed auditors for the ensuing year.

Mr. Hill was supported in the chair by Mr. P. P. Vassila and Mr. E. F. Watts (Director) and Mr. G. Milne (Secretary).

Shareholders present were Messrs. B. C. Tavadia, N. B. Futakia, P. Loureiro, G. W. Sewell and Andrew Tse.

Chinese Army Captains Cautioned

Two Chinese captains, Chan Yiu-yung, aged 25, and Hung Kai-tai, aged 23, both of the Chinese National Army, were cautioned by Mr. J. Wicks at Kowloon yesterday for possession of ammunition and possession of arms and ammunition, respectively.

The arms and ammunition were ordered to be confiscated to the Police.

The prosecution stated that at about 3 p.m. on June 27, defendant was about to leave for Canton by train. Their personal effects were searched by Chinese Maritime Customs officers at the KRC Station.

In a bamboo basket belonging to Chan was found 120 rounds of ammunition wrapped up in paper. A Winchester automatic pistol, a 38 revolver, and 100 rounds of ammunition were found in a haversack which Hung was carrying.

Defendants arrived here from Formosa by the ss. Wah Lien en route to Canton on transfer to the Army Headquarters in Canton. They both claimed that the ammunition was picked up during the retreat in Shanghai. Hung claimed that the two revolvers were his personal property.

Fire On Ship Put Out Successfully

Personnel of the ss. Hai Fei successfully extinguished smouldering charcoal and firewood in a hold after 17 hours despite rough seas and strong monsoon winds.

The fire occurred in the No. 2 hold when the 6,202-ton Chinese steamer was two days out from Singapore on June 20 en route to Hong Kong with 52 passengers and 1,200 tons of charcoal and firewood.

To prevent the fire from spreading, the hold was flooded with salt water and steam. As a precautionary measure, the passengers were provided with life jackets and told to remain in their cabins.

Damage so far has not been great, but the cargo has been lost. The fire was caused by a defective stove in the No. 2 hold at about 3 a.m. on June 20, as the Hai Fei was proceeding towards Hong Kong.

The sea was rough and the ship was rolling and pitching in a heavy sea with strong South West monsoons.

Investigation revealed that smoke was coming out from under the tween deck, where several hundred tons of charcoal and firewood were kept.

The smoke became thicker when the ventilation hatches were opened during the search for the source.

The passengers were then instructed to prepare themselves for emergency disembarkation.

Meanwhile, the ventilation hatches were closed and steam was used to kill the outbreak.

Held Flooded

At about 11 a.m. the hold was flooded with salt water and steam was used to kill the outbreak.

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The Card Drive which was to have been held at the Club in aid of Shanghai Portuguese Refugees on Thursday, June 30th has been postponed to Thursday, July 7th, 1949.

For further particulars please phone 50939—between 9 & 10 a.m.

BANK HOLIDAY

The Exchange Banks will be closed for the transaction of public business on Friday, 1st July, 1949. (First week day in July).

June 29, 1949.

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE & INDUSTRY

NOTICE

This Department will be closed on Friday, the 1st of July, 1949, for all purposes except for entry & clearance of ships' manifests between 9 a.m. and 10 a.m.

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Rotary Club Hears Talk On Canada

Hong Kong Rotary honoured Canada's National Day (which actually occurs on July 1) with a talk by Mr. Ken Noble, Canadian Trade Commissioner in Hong Kong, entitled "This is Canada" at its weekly luncheon yesterday.

After reviewing the Dominion's geography and climate, the speaker delved into its history.

He said contrary to popular conception Columbus was a fairly late arrival in the New World. The Norsemen had preceded him by some 400 years, coming via Iceland and Greenland.

Recent history started in 1763 when the French and British settlements North of the St. Lawrence were combined after the victory of General Wolfe on the Plains of Abraham, now a suburb of Quebec City.

In 1782, a mass movement of 100,000 British citizens born in the 13 British colonies further South moved Northward to settle in Canada, after the American War of Independence. They were the United Empire Loyalists. Simultaneously British troops, largely Scotch or from the Rhine, who had fought in the American War of Independence, settled in new areas that later became the Crown colonies of Nova Scotia and New Brunswick.

July 1 in 1867 saw the birth of the Dominion of Canada through the confederation of four of the six British colonies North of the United States of America, namely, Nova Scotia, New Brunswick, Lower Canada (now Quebec), and the Upper Canada, now Ontario.

Ten Provinces

In the intervening years Canada has spread Westward and Northward and is today a country of 10 provinces.

In 1931, by the Statute of Westminster, Canada and several other Dominions had their status established as self-governing dominions within the British Commonwealth of Nations.

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A break-up of these 2,500,000 shows 600,000 Germans; 300,000 Ukrainians; 170,000 Jews; 150,000 Poles; 150,000 Netherlands; 100,000 Italians; 100,000 Norwegians; 80,000 Swedes; 60,000 Russians; 50,000 Magyars; 35,000 Danes; 35,000 Czechs; 30,000 Belgians; 20,000 Rumanians; 20,000 Icelanders.

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After comparing superficial similarities between Canadians and Americans which was not surprising since they came from a common racial stock, Mr. Noble said Canadians took their work more calmly and their pleasures more slowly than their friends to the South.

There was, however, a very real and basic difference between the people of Canada and of the United States: one that stems from the tradition of the United Empire Loyalists. The people of Canada take their democracy

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TWO touching honours are not a real sequence in the same sense as are three, when the point considered is leading against a suit contract, unless the two are the ace and king. If they happen to be the K-Q and one or more small cards, or the Q-J plus one or more guards, the lead may cost a trick. With the former that can happen if the ace is at the right, reducing the combination to a single trick winning sometimes instead of two. With the Q-J combination, a lead may result in no tricks at all, whereas one might have been taken if the combination was not led.

S J
D Q J 10 2
D Q J 7
C A 6 5 4
S A K Q
8 6 4
H 7
D A 3 2
C J 8 7

S Q J 10 7 3
H K 5 4 3
D 9 8
C 10 3 2

(Dealer: South. Both sides vulnerable.)

South West North East
Pass 1 H Pass 2 H
Pass 2 H Pass 3 D
Pass 3 H Pass 4 S

It sounded very much to North as if West would try to give this hand the simplest type of play—first trumps and then the side suit losers on the latter string. So he was steered away from leading either of those suits.

Next he considered clubs, but felt that the club A lead, or an underlead of the A, might cost a trick there. This left only dia-

monds, so he opened the Q of that suit.

As it happened, the diamond lead made West's contract easy. He won with the A, leaving the K-10 as a fourchette over the marked J. Then he took the A and K trump rounds and gave a spade trick with the 9 to South's 10. The club 2 came back to North's A, and the heart Q was returned to the A. The heart 6 was ruffed, diamond 10 finesse won, and the diamond K called forth. South could get only one trick with his spade Q, and might as well take it then as any time, so he did, as only the third trick for his side. The rest of West's assets were now solid.

In this case, if North had led anything except a diamond, the defence would surely have taken a trick in that suit. West could still have made the contract by different play of the trump suit, but seemingly did not know how to do it, or else counted on a different "division" of trumps.

Tomorrow's Problem

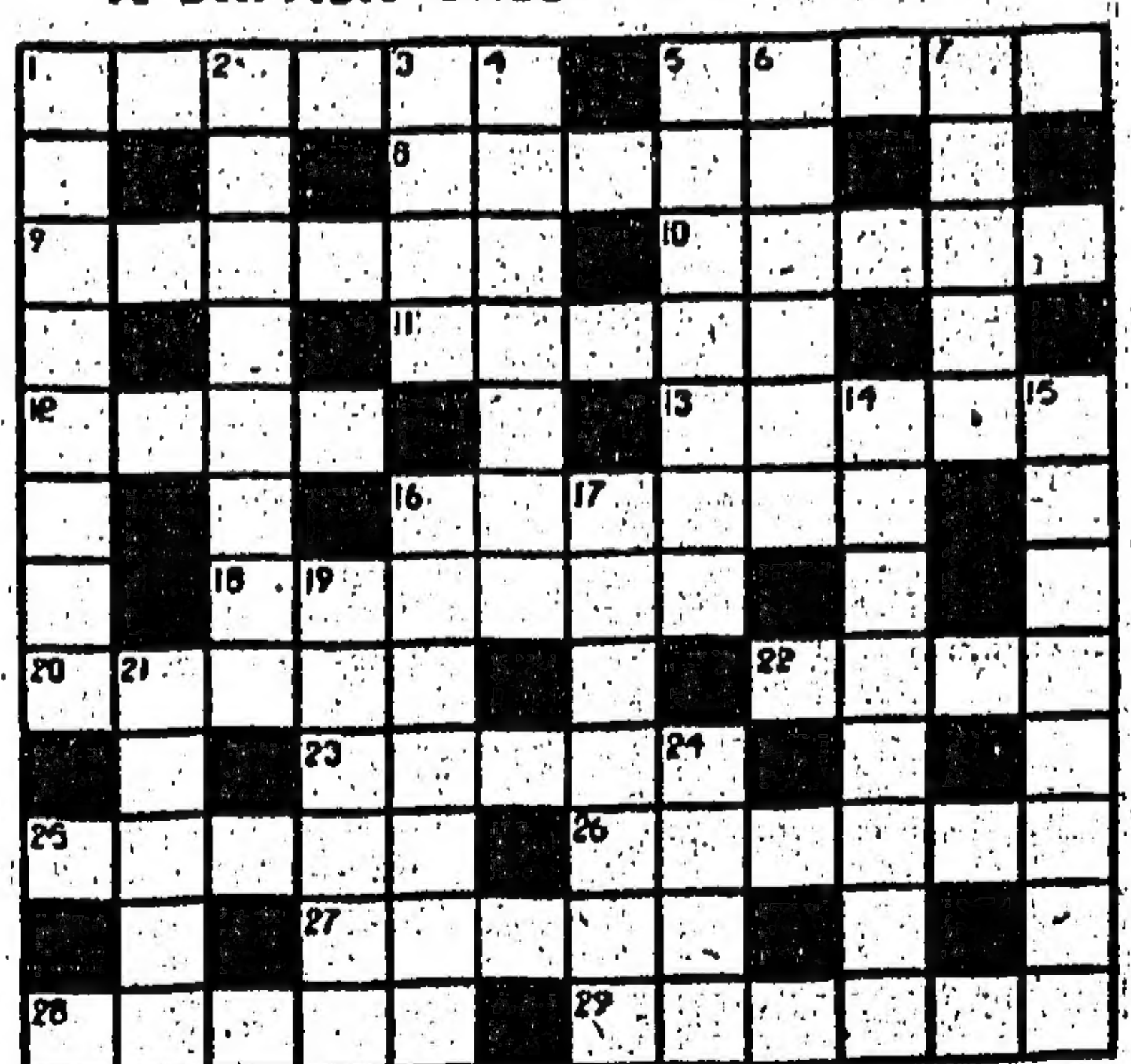
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H J 6
D A J 6
C A K J 7 6 5

S K 7 3
H 10 7 6 4
D 7 4 3 2
C 4 3

S A 10 8 2
H 8 5 3
D K 9
C Q 10 9

(Dealer: West. Both sides vulnerable.)
If North bid 1-Club, East doubled, West 1-Heart, North 2-Club, and East 2-Hearts, what would you do in the South?

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Across

1 Branch of unity.
5 Make proud.
8 Illustrious.
9 Field.
10 Expect.
11 Portion.
12 Greedy.
13 Experiments.
16 Annoy.
18 Worshipped.

Down

1 Located.
2 Vixenish woman.
3 Break off.
4 Warship.
5 Chose by vote.
6 Royal assembly.
7 Imploded.

Yesterday's Crossword

ACROSS—3 And, 4 Rural, 8 Agony, 9 Scent, 10 Educate, 12 Toll, 13 Enemy, 16 Slave, 18 Oris, 21 Coast, 22 Duet, 23 Sunit, 24 Brew, 25 Work.

DOWN—1 Guide, 2 Cancel, 4 Green, 5 Debt, 6 Bell, 8 Slow, 11 Absorb, 13 Om, 14 Loll, 16 Young, 17 Clab, 18 Bags, 20 Retard, 21 Dush, 24 Trait, 25 Debar, 27 Buhn, 28 Work.

AIR WAR GAMES WERE MUCH TOO REALISTIC

GREECE HEADS TO RECOVERY

Washington, June 28. The Assistant Secretary of State, George C. McGhee, said today that Greece is on road to recovery as a result of one telling blow after another inflicted recently on the Communist rebels by Greek army troops.

Addressing the Pan-Leonion Federation, a Greek organization, Mr. McGhee said that the Greek guerrillas' numbers have been reduced to 10,000 from 25,000 since the first year of the civil war.

He cited the recent so-called peace offensive launched by Greek guerrillas and their international Communist masters as another significant sign of guerrilla weakness.

Mr. McGhee warned, however, that despite recent successes hard fighting and possible disappointment still lie ahead.

He branded as utter nonsense a recent statement by a Greek Communist leader claiming that 95 per cent of the Greek people sympathize with Communism.

Mr. McGhee described Greece as a rampart in the wall of security which protects a large part of the Asia and African continents.—Associated Press.

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London Given A "Heavy Pounding"

London, June 28.

The first phase of air exercises to test the defences of industrial England against an atom bomb blitz ended yesterday with one major complaint. London residents said they were too realistic.

Referees and high air officials of three countries were discreet about preliminary results of "Operation Foil" in which British bombers and fighters, American Superforts and jet fighters participated.

There were indications from other observers and from the sound of the heavy bomber formations over the metropolitan area that England's capital had been heavily pounded in two night attacks.

"Operation Foil" will continue for another week as fighter and bomber squadrons, re-inforced at the week-end by reserve air formations of British pilots, test plans for protecting England in war. An Air Ministry spokesman said that conclusions from the exercises will probably not be made public.

The Air Ministry said that the French Air Minister, Jean Moreau, will arrive on Tuesday to observe the exercises for three days. He will join high British, American and Dutch officials. Thousands of Britons, their sleep disturbed by low-flying warplanes, telephoned the Air Ministry to complain. Many said that their children, reminded of the wartime blitz raids, ran screaming from their homes.

To these complaints an Air Ministry spokesman had one answer: "If we are to prepare an adequate defence, our practices must be as real as we can make them."

Bombers' Speed

Observers flying with American B-29 Superforts in the week-end "raids" reported an interesting development at high altitudes.

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Mine Warning To Giant Cunarder

Southampton, June 27. The liner Queen Mary, homeward bound with 2,000 passengers, was warned by radio last night that fishermen had sighted a mine some miles off her course into Cherbourg. Captain G. E. Cove, the Master, said when the liner docked here today. Special look-out men were posted, but neither they nor the liner's radar found any trace of the mine.

Rangoon's Claim To Successes

Rangoon, June 28. The Army has recaptured the river town of Nyaung, 80 miles South West of Mandalay.

Nyaung was a stronghold of renegade White Band PVO's and Communists who concentrated inside the town as the Government forces on the oilfields made headway. Fierce fighting preceded the Nyaung recapture.

The attack was spearheaded by armoured troops.

The rebels lost 210 killed but PVCs and Communists escaped.

Byaung's liberation virtually rids the oilfields of rebel terror.

Earlier it was announced in the official communiqué that rebels who were unarmoured but believed to be a mixed force of Karens and Mons attacked Government forces at Zathabyin, North of the recaptured South East coastal town of Thantone. The rebels fled with heavy losses.

Government casualties were one killed and two wounded.—Associated Press.

STEEL DECLINE

New York June 28. Production of steel in the U.S. is due to drop below 80 per cent of rated capacity this week, for the first time since April 1948.

American Iron and Steel Institute said operations would be 79.9 per cent.

This is the eleventh straight week of declining output.—Associated Press.

Constable Gaoled On Arson Charge

London, June 27.

A British police constable, aged 23, alleged to have confessed to lighting fires "to get my own back on the Jews," was sentenced today to five years' imprisonment.

The constable, Clifford Alexander Weallans, stationed at West Ham, was found guilty by an Old Bailey jury, after a three-day trial, of setting fire to four works buildings and a warehouse at Stratford and causing damage to the extent of £20,000.

The police asked that 15 other cases of setting fire to property or causing malicious damage in the same area should be taken into consideration.

"It is a perfectly wicked thing that innocent people in this country should be made to suffer in this way for something with which they had nothing whatever to do," Justice Birkett said in passing sentence.

"In the ordinary way if you, a police constable, had stood here, on being found guilty, you could have expected to have been sentenced to 10 years. Happily, there are mitigating circumstances and I am going to try to give full weight to them," he said.

In his confession, which Weallans declared in evidence was untrue, the police alleged that Weallans said: "I have occasionally had severe headaches and get depressed. I feel as if I am just fed up with life and do not care."

"I thought the people who ran the places are Jews and I am prejudiced against Jews because when I was in Palestine I was taken to hospital because of the Jews. I have seen many bad things done to our blokes by the Jews and wanted to even things up."

Medical evidence called by the defence said that Weallans was suffering from anxiety neurosis.—Reuter.

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SOEKARNO RETURN TO JOGJAKARTA BY NEXT MONTH

Jogjakarta, June 28.

Dr. Soekarno, President of the Indonesian Republic, is expected to return to the Republican capital of Jogjakarta by July 15.

Sultan Hamengku Buwano, Governor of Jogjakarta, said this today.

The Dutch began the evacuation of their 4,500 troops from Jogjakarta on Friday with the evacuation of Wonosari; South of the city.

The evacuation so far has proceeded fluently and without incident, the Sultan said and added that it is expected to be completed by Wednesday afternoon.

The taking over of the civil services in Jogjakarta is set for Tuesday.

The Sultan said that he will issue a special statement on Wednesday afternoon and that if nothing untoward occurs he will invite Dr. Soekarno to return to the city.

The Republican Labour Party, Partai Buruh, today denied that it is collaborating with the Communists.

Will Co-operate

Shortly before the Communist coup at Madian last September, the leaders of the Labour and Socialist parties decided to merge with the Indonesian Communist Party F.K.I. The decision, however, was never ratified by the parties.

The newly-elected chairman of the Labour Party, Professor S. M. Abidin, declared today that his party is eager to co-operate with any other party aiming at solidifying the state of the country.

Asked what his party's attitude is regarding the new agreement, he said: "The most important thing is the implementation of agreement." — Associated Press.

EX-PRESIDENT GOES TO EXILE

Damascus, June 28.

Syria's former President, Shukri Kautsky, left Damascus by air today for Switzerland accompanied by his wife and two children.

Kautsky was elected President of Syria for the second time last August but was overthrown by the military coup of Colonel Husni Zaim on March 30.

A military guard of honour saluted the ex-President as he stepped into the plane and many former Premiers and Ministers were present to bid him farewell.—Associated Press.

KIM KOO'S ASSASSIN

Seoul, June 27.

The South Korean Defence Ministry announced today that the assassin of the Independence Party leader, Kim Koo, was a member of the Independence Party. The assassin, Ahn Dohi, aged 33, a second lieutenant in the Korean Army, was a faithful follower and an intimate companion of Kim, the Defence Ministry said. Ahn shot the Independence Party leader because of political differences, the Ministry added.

Ahn is reported to be in hospital suffering from injuries received after the assassination.—Reuter.

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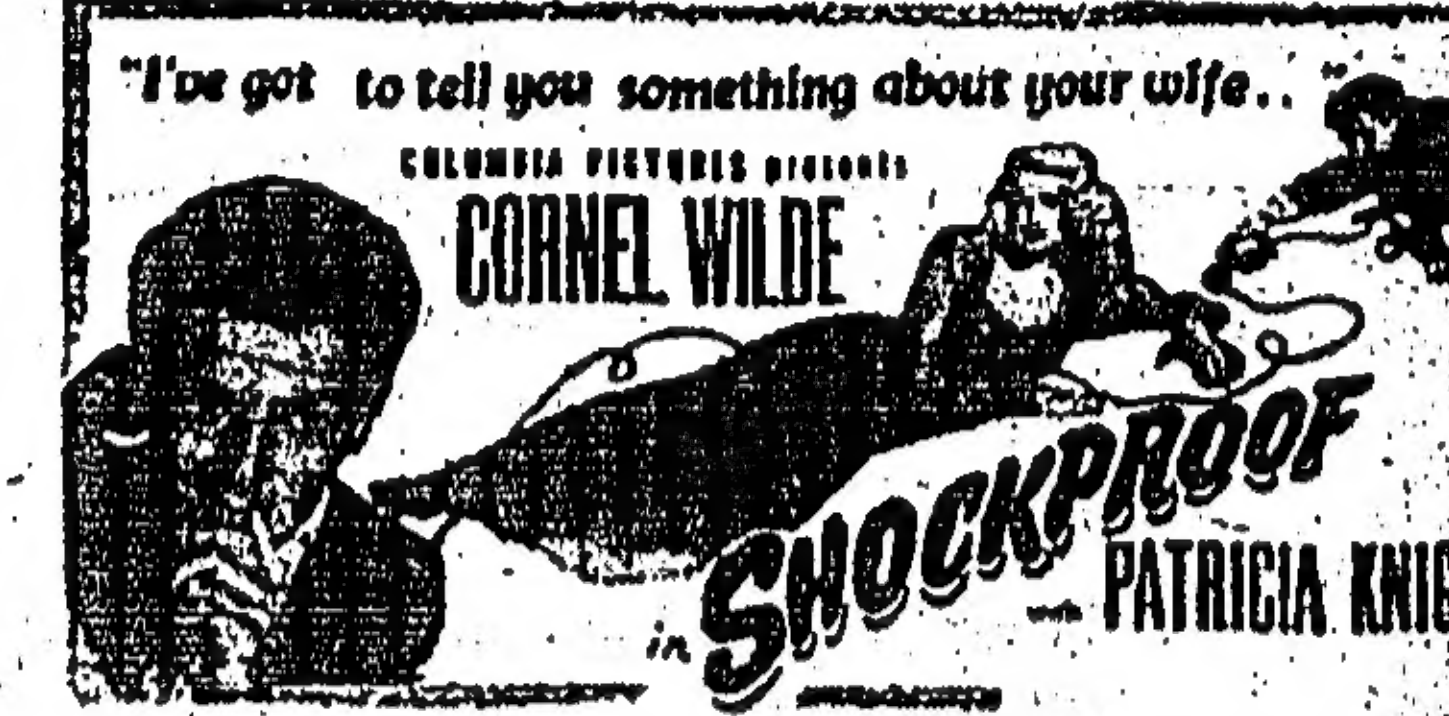
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SWING TO THE RIGHT IN BELGIAN VOTING

GREECE'S CABINET CRISIS

Athens, June 27.
The withdrawal of support by the Liberal group of 50 members headed by M. Sophocles Venizelos has upset the plan for a one-party Populist Cabinet, under M. Constantin Tsaldaris, to be ready for swearing in by King Paul tonight.

Members of the proposed new Cabinet were at the house of M. Tsaldaris ready to go to the Palace when they heard this news. The Liberal group, which M. Sophocles headed, has already insisted that the new Government should be like the last—a coalition of Liberals and Populists.

According to friends of M. Venizelos, his change of mind was due to a statement made earlier today by the American Ambassador Dr. Henry P. Grady. Dr. Grady had said: "Americans are interested in seeing a Government which will realise its great responsibilities without consideration of parties or personalities."

M. Venizelos visited Dr. Grady and was reported later to have decided that the only way out of the crisis was a new Coalition similar to the last.

The Populist Party had hoped to win the support of small right wing groups in Parliament in addition to the support of the Liberals under M. Venizelos.

Earlier today, the secretary to M. Tsaldaris said that the new Populist Cabinet would present itself to Parliament on Thursday to ask for a vote of confidence and probably for a three-month adjournment of the Chamber.

Anti Strike Legislation

Rome, June 27.
Two new laws, intended to give the Government wider powers to control strikes, are to be submitted to the Italian Cabinet tomorrow before presentation to Parliament.

The precise terms of the proposed legislation have not yet been published, but left wing Socialists and Communists today attacked them, recalling that the Minister of the Interior, Signor Mario Scelba, declared in a speech last week-end, "It is necessary to use force when the situation is of such a nature as to undermine the democratic order of our country."

One law, it is understood, would make "cooling off" periods obligatory before the actual walk-out of strikers, and others will give greater police powers to the Central Government.

Leopold Backers' Hopes Raised

Brussels, June 27.

The official Belgian election results, announced late tonight, showed a victory for the Catholics in both Houses of Parliament.

The Catholics—supporters of exiled King Leopold's return—failed to secure a majority over all the other parties in the Chamber of Deputies, which would be necessary for any action on the Royal question.

The final figures for the Chamber of Deputies were: Catholics 104 seats (a gain of 12); Socialists 66 (a loss of three); Liberals 30 (a gain of 13) and the Communists 12 (a loss of 11).

The final figures for the Senate were: Catholics 54 seats (a gain of three); Communists five (a loss of six).

The election showed a clear swing to the right, and the Catholics are only three short of an absolute majority in the Chamber of Deputies. The Communists suffered an overwhelming defeat, losing about 50 per cent of their seats in both Houses of Parliament and in the County Councils, which were elected on the same day.

The votes of Belgium's most densely populated area—the Province of Brabant, in which Brussels lies—were held up because the official in charge of the polling station in a Brussels suburb had "forgotten" to add up the votes.

Prince Charles, the Regent, today accepted the resignation of the Prime Minister, M. Paul Henri Spaak's two-year-old Socialist-Catholic Coalition Cabinet.

Spaak Unwilling

The Ministers handed in their resignations in accordance with normal Belgian constitutional procedure, under which the Government resigns after a general election, no matter what the result of the polling may be.

M. Spaak, the Socialist leader, stated that, in compliance with tradition, the chief of the Christian Democrats—the strongest party—would be called on to form a Government.

Asked whether he would be willing again to combine the posts of Premier and Foreign Minister, he answered that the task of forming a new Cabinet, M. Spaak said, "I do not believe this would be a good formula."

An official in close touch with King Leopold (now living near Geneva) said here tonight:

No Coup

"With the Catholics skirting an absolute majority in Parliament, and with the support of several Royal Liberals who make this majority very comfortable indeed, the scrapping of the Parliament Act which is keeping our monarch in exile seems to be a foregone conclusion and is a mere question of timing."

The law referred to by the official was passed in July, 1935, after King Leopold's release from captivity in Germany. Declaring that the King would never return to the country before this law is abrogated, the official added:

"King Leopold is not a man who would stage a coup d'etat. It is out of the question for the King to abdicate."

He added: "The Christian Socialists 'scored' their splendid electoral success thanks to their slogan 'We want Our King.' It would be difficult for the party leaders—not to press wholeheartedly for the King's early return."

Motion On Atomic Bomb

Washington, June 27.

Senator Ralph Flanders (Republican, Vermont) is to ask Congress to forbid the use of the atomic bomb except as a weapon of retaliation.

He told reporters today that the bomb is not properly a military device but rather a means for the mass murder of citizens.

TRUMAN SCHEME FOR AID

Geneva, June 27.

Mr. David A. Morse, American Director-General of the 61-member International Labour Office, declared today that United States aid to underdeveloped countries will be available impartially and without discrimination to all who seek to use it.

He added: "These services must not and never will be imposed on any one."

"Nor will they interfere upon the sovereign powers of governments in the formulation and execution of their national policies and programmes."

Mr. Morse was replying to comments in his annual report at the Geneva conference of the I.L.O.

The Office, he said, is giving new emphasis to President Truman's "Point Four" plan.

This plan to aid underdeveloped countries was part four of the programme outlined in the President's speech of January 20, when he took the oath of office after re-election.

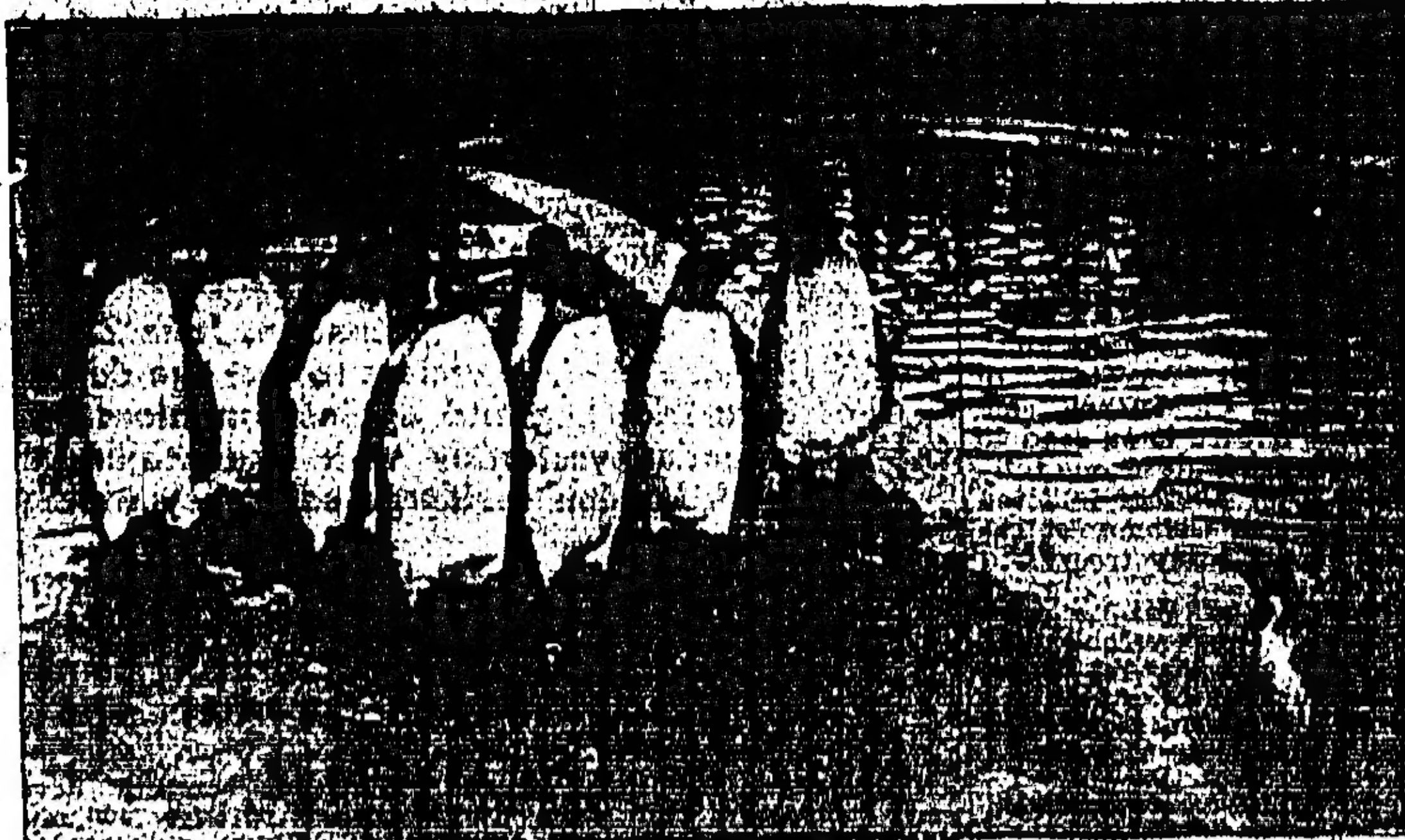
ROMEO GAILED

Chicago, June 27.

Dapper Sigmund Engel, 73, who said he made millions by fleeing marriage-minded women, was arraigned today on a charge of swindling and failed to talk his way out of jail.

Judge Matthew Hartigan bound him over to the County Grand Jury on US\$50,000 bond after he had appeared in the felony court on a charge of having taken \$8,700 from Mrs. Beveda Corrigan, 59. Despite the aged Romeo's claim that in the last 40 years he had married 50 women who had given him at least \$2,000,000, he could not meet the high bond.

Peter Penguin Plunges



Young Peter Penguin (right) seems to have a nervous look about him as he wades ashore at London's Regatta Park Zoo after taking his first plunge in the penguin pool there. And will he might, for his seniors, the King Penguins lined up on the bank have a distinctly haughty, disapproving look about them as, with all their awful majesty they survey the new recruit. Peter is only a few months old, but he hopes by diligent swimming, and leaving the best fish to his seniors, to gain their affection.—(AP Photo).

Hush-Hush Slows Up Weapon Development

Washington, June 27.

Dr. Karl T. Compton, the Government's senior scientist, said today that excessive concern with secrecy has slowed development of new weapons and international security.

Dr. Compton, chairman of the National Research and Development Board, said secrecy has become confused with security to an astonishing degree in public and even in military minds. Actually security depends to a far more important extent upon rapid scientific advance which requires as little secrecy as possible, he said.

He said: "I am sure that the pendulum has recently swung so far in the direction of concern over secrecy regarding even little details and unimportant people that our real security is suffering. It is suffering from a slowing up of progress, because attention is being diverted from really big things which need to be done."

Dr. Compton did not cite specific cases. But there are indications that atomic energy research was one matter he had in mind.

He quoted the Commission chairman, David Lilienthal's, statement that while guards, fences and investigators have an important place they do not develop new knowledge about atomic energy.

Dr. Compton called upon Congress, the armed forces, scientists, industrialists, workmen, the press and the public generally to do all possible to promote good teamwork—one of the outstanding factors, he said, in winning World War II.

Subversive

He said: "I believe that the opposite approach, a desire to criticize or to seek self-advancement at the expense of someone else is a sign of a demoralized team and that its stimulation could be the subtlest of all subversive-un-American activities."

World War II taught the significance of new weapons and the importance of having them at the front first. Dr. Compton said in leading up to his discussion of secrecy. He said pointedly that if the Nazi V-2 and V-2 missiles had come along sooner the war might well have had a different ending.

Therefore true security consists in being far ahead as possible in any unfriendly competition. America is with the atomic bomb.

Dr. Compton said: "Secrecy is one aspect of security for it is evident that if we should freely broadcast all information about our new development we would permit our competitors to keep pace with us at relatively little expense to himself. Thus, secrecy is a negative or defensive aspect of security."

Incompatible
"But," he continued, "if we simply sit tight and lock up our secrets it will not be long before our active competitor forges ahead of us. So we must also press forward the positive for offensive aspect of security by making rapid advances in our own science and its practical applications."

Dr. Compton said, science and progress are incompatible since science flourishes in an atmosphere of free inquiry and exchange of ideas. He said what is needed is to recapture that spirit of confidence and enthusiasm which won the scientific phase of the war.

"But if major attention is focussed on suspicion and criticism rather than on confidence and encouragement, we may really and ourselves in serious danger from a security standpoint," he said.

Zionist's Bid For U.S. Help

Tel Aviv, June 27.

Marshall aid should be extended to Israel to help to bring her closer to the Western bloc, Mr. Daniel Frisch, Chairman of the Zionist Organisation of America, who is now visiting Israel, said today.

American aid could be used to help build the vast Jordan Valley scheme for the irrigation of the Negev Desert, Mr. Frisch said.

He declared the United States should lift her arms embargo to Israel to counter-balance the recent British decision to lift her embargo to the Middle East countries.

Mr. Frisch said that in a two-hour talk today with Mr. David Ben Gurion, Israeli Premier, they discussed the methods by which United States Jewry could help Israel's economy. Mr. Ben Gurion, he said, assured him that the Israeli Government will encourage private investment based on profit, especially from the United States.

FREIGHTERS FOR ISRAELIS

Hails, June 27.

Two 10,000-ton freighters are to join the Israeli merchant navy on August 1, the manager of the Israel-American Line, announced here.

A 17,000-ton passenger liner, to maintain a Halls-New York service, and a 10,000-ton ship for the Mediterranean traffic, are to be acquired soon.

Israeli vessels will carry half the goods which Israel is to receive under her US\$100 million loan from the United States. American vessels will handle the rest.

STERLING TALKS IN LONDON

London, June 27.

A spokesman of the Indian Sterling talks delegations told the Press Trust of India that preliminary talks on India's Sterling credits with British Treasury officials are proceeding smoothly.

He discounted reports that a stalemate had been reached in the talks.

"There can be no question of a stalemate because we have never reached the stage of dealing with any large issue," he said.

The spokesman added that the talks so far have been confined to facts and figures on both sides, both the countries stating their respective cases in terms of figures. If talks had not been held in the last few days, it was because the Chancellor of the Exchequer, Sir Stafford Cripps, is busy with the European inter-payments talks.

The spokesman said that if some of the European countries insist on part of their Sterling credits being convertible into hard currencies, it will certainly make the position of British dollar resources more difficult but he could not say how such a position will affect India's case for hard currency.

He said that Mr. B. K. Nehru and Mr. Keith Roy, members of the Sterling delegations, have taken advantage of the few days' set-up in the talks and have gone to Washington in connection with India's dollar loan from the International Monetary Fund.

He described the trip to Washington as purely routine.

BRITAIN JOINS WHEAT PACT

London, June 27.

The Foreign Office Secretary, Mr. Christopher Mayhew, told the House of Commons today that Britain has decided to sign the International Wheat Agreement and intends to ratify it before July 1.

The agreement, a four-year contract between 26 wheat importing and five wheat exporting countries, guarantees the export and import of 450,283,333 bushels of wheat yearly.

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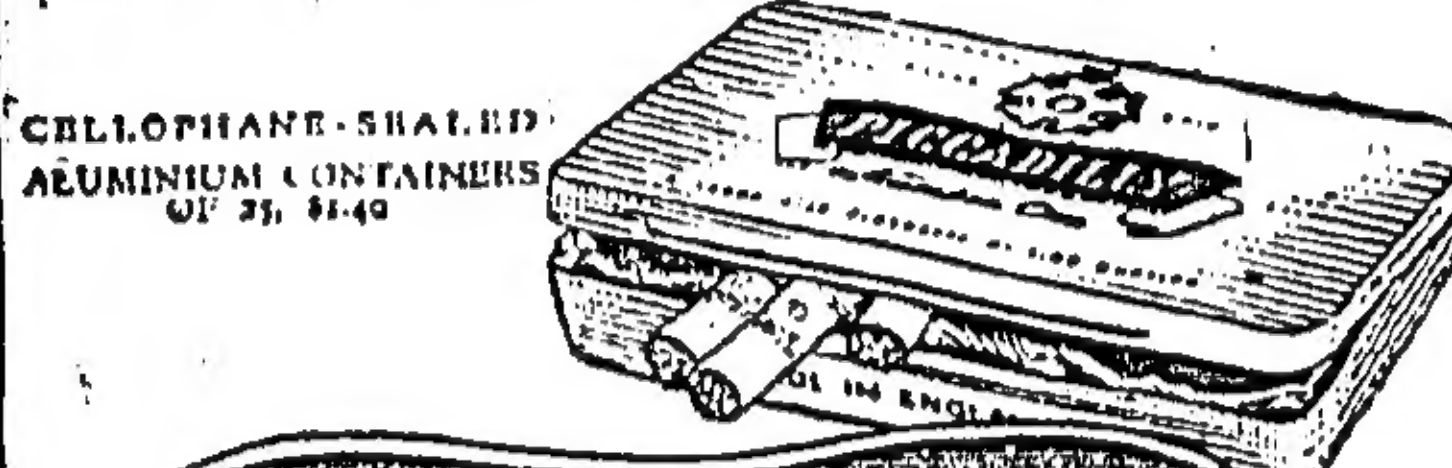
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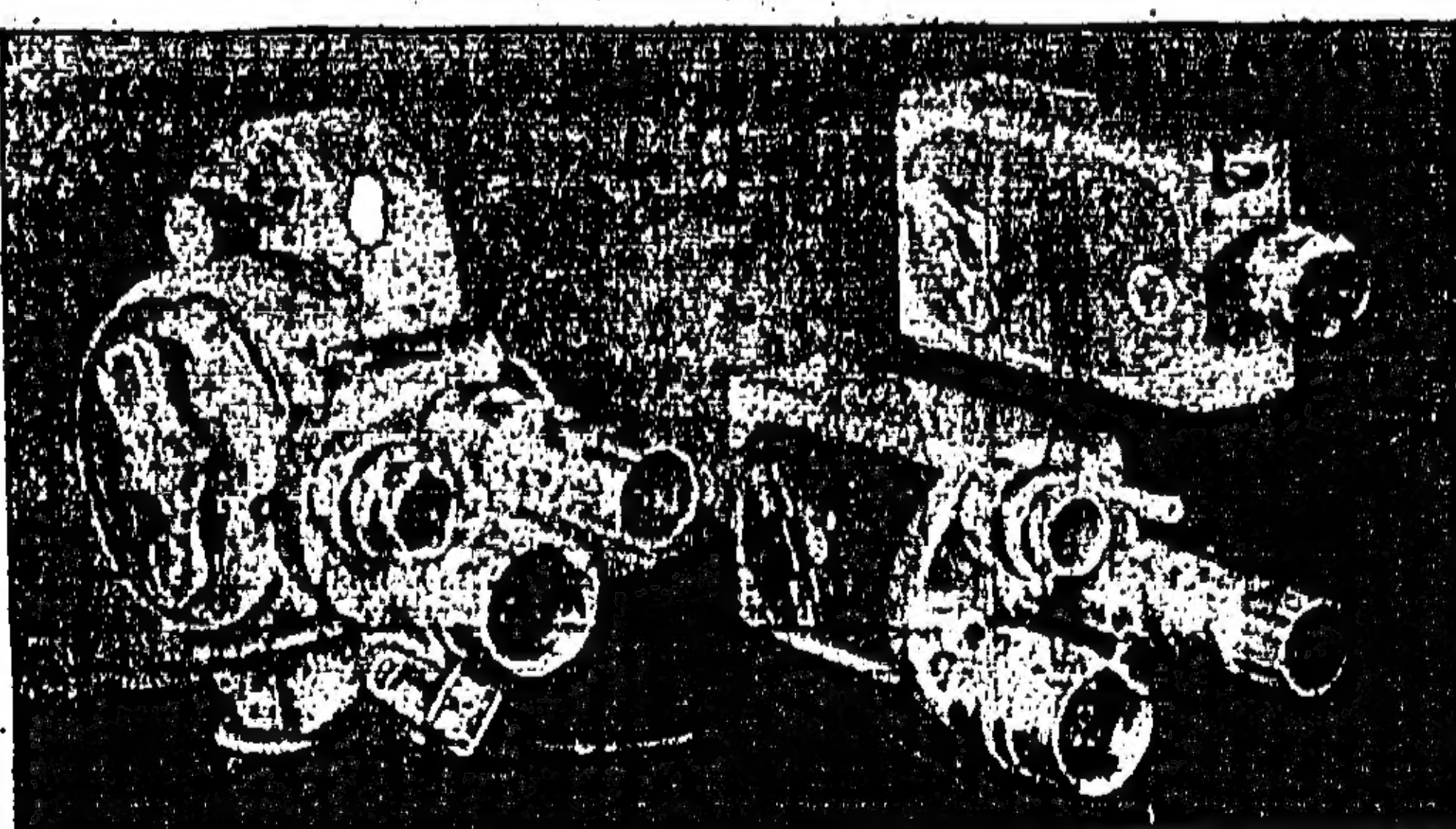


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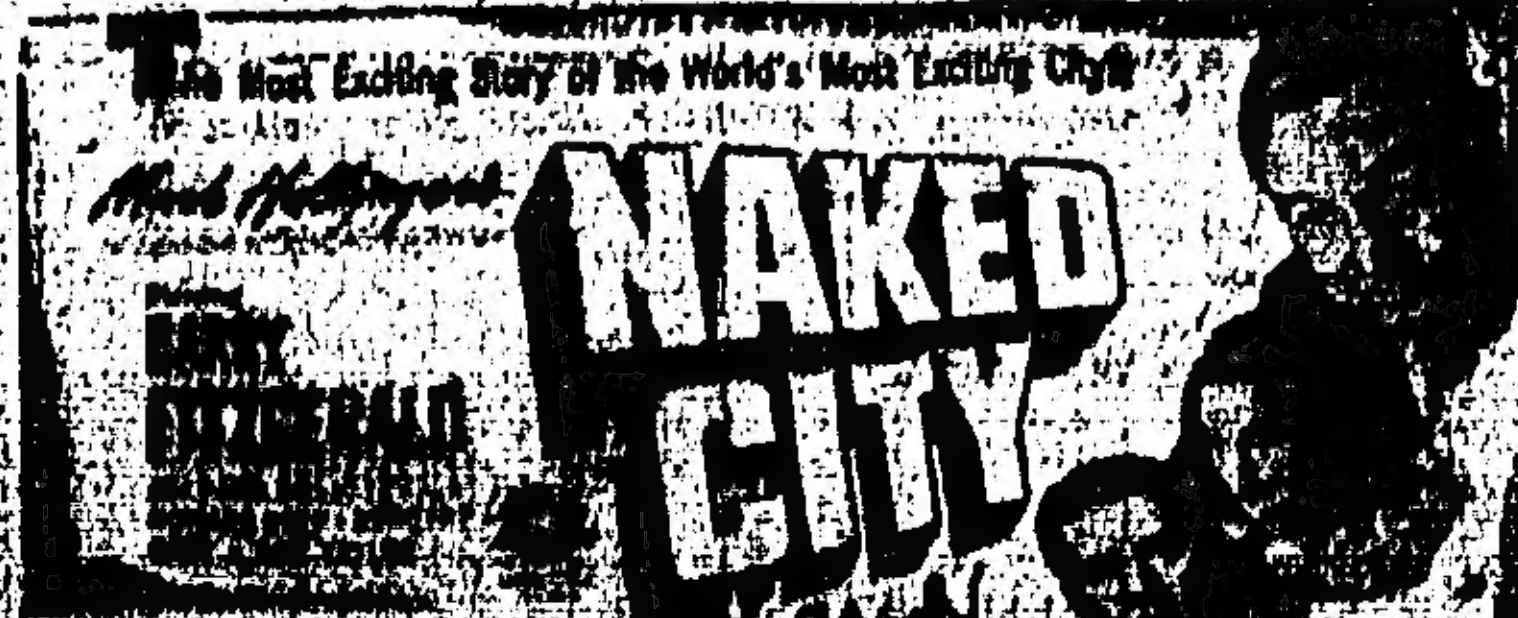
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PASTORAL LETTERS BANNED BY PRAGUE

FORGERS WORKED NEXT TO A BANK

Washington, June 27. Secret Service today seized a currency counterfeiting plant next door to the World Bank and the International Monetary Fund and arrested four men and one woman.

The Secret Service chief, U.S. Daughman, said the five were members of a ring which had manufactured more than \$100,000 in counterfeit Reserve notes and circulated about \$2,000 of it.

Daughman announced that Secret Service agents arrested Eugene Hammond Crockett, 25, Walter Wilbur Kidwell, 30, William Hughes, 38, and his wife, Josephine, 25, and Arthur Behar, 35. All gave Washington addresses.

They were charged with manufacturing and passing counterfeit currency.

Daughman said that \$50,000 in \$20 notes were found hidden in Crockett's car when he was seized shortly after midnight and another \$50,000 was found in Kidwell's room. Photographic and duplicating equipment were seized.

Daughman said the group had just completed a swing around the country to pass the worthless notes.

Kidwell and Crockett were listed as taxi drivers, Hughes as a milk wagon helper, and Mrs. Hughes as housewife.

Daughman said the group produced fake money at a suite next door to the Headquarters of the World Bank and the International Monetary Fund—United Press.

RESTRICTIONS IN SUEZ CANAL

London, June 27. Britain is strongly pressing Egypt to abolish all restrictions on ships in the Suez Canal area, the Foreign Under-Secretary, Mr. Christopher Mayhew, said in a Parliamentary reply today.

The Egyptians have agreed to abolish military inspection of ships, speed up inspection, cease demanding certificates of ultimate destination and to inspect only suspected military cargo, he said.

"However, we do not consider these concessions to be adequate," he added.

Questioned about compensation for loss suffered by British ships because of delay, Mr. Mayhew said, "The question of compensation may well arise."

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Prague, June 27. The Government today banned Catholic pastoral letters and prohibited meetings of Church officials without specific permission of the Government.

In a special issue of the "Catholic Clergy Gazette" the Government also declared that Church-imposed excommunications and suspensions are invalid. It said it would give full support to priests incurring Church punishment who show a positive attitude to the regime.

The Gazette, published by the Ministry of Education and circulated to all priests, contained three decrees.

The first said: "The Ministry of Education, using its right to supervise the Church administration, requires all ordinations to ask the Ministry directly for approval of pastoral letters, circulars, instructions, orders and other proclamations of this kind intended either for priests or for the public. Without prior approval of the Ministry of Education, no such mentioned proclamations may be published or distributed."

The second decree said: "The Church authorities in Czechoslovakia threatened priests who showed a positive attitude toward the People's Democracy and proclaimed themselves for co-operation between the State and Church with church penalties."

"As far as the State Administration is concerned, all Church punishments of this kind are ineffective to the clergyman concerned and they do not lose their rights to exercise their spiritual tasks in public spiritual administrations."

"Their publicly legitimate position has not changed here-with. The State Administration will give them, on the contrary, its full support."

Catholic Charge

The third decree said: "The Ministry of Education hereby notifies all Vicars and Vicarates of the clergy in Vicarates or Dioceses offices must be announced at least three days beforehand to the district national committees. They may be held only after the permission of the district national committees."

The Government-sponsored Catholic Action Committee has actually occupied all church parishes in Czechoslovakia, Roman Catholic sources in Prague allege.

Government confiscations and repressive measures against the Church are spreading and in some cases priests who resisted the confiscations have been arrested, the sources said.

A virtual "white book" catalogue of such anti-Church actions executed over the past few months was issued on Sunday by the national Roman hierarchy in a sharply-worded pastoral letter which was read from the pulpits.

"That latter accused the Communist regime of deliberately plundering and persecuting the Church while professing to seek negotiations for a fair State-Church accord."

Priest Vanishes

Usually reliable sources said that Father Josef Riala, pre-Government priest and founder of the Catholic Action Committee, is missing from his office and might have fled the country. The sources believed Father Riala might have decided to flee rather than face excommunication himself for working with the Communist Government. Inquiries at his office and at the Church of St. James, where he served as priest, revealed that he had not been seen for 13 days.

United Press and Associated Press.

FOUR-POWER MEETING RESUMING IN BERLIN

Berlin, June 28. Four Power talks are being revived here on Tuesday for a new try at showing out the economic deadlock in divided Germany.

The deputy military governors of the United States, Britain, France and Russia fixed their first meeting of this series for Tuesday afternoon.

They are acting on orders issued by the Big Four Foreign Ministers' Council when it ended a month-long Paris session just a week ago.

The decision of the Foreign Ministers was to lay the basis for at least a way of living together that will afford economic traffic between the East and West zones of Germany and sectors of Berlin.

The "disputing" meeting coincides with the ending of the 37-day strike of anti-Communist union workers against the German railway system's Soviet management.

Trade Situation

The Allied control authority building, virtually deserted for a year, the deputies meeting place. They made up the Allied Co-ordinating Committee that did the work for the Four Power rule in the zone.

Western experts said the four deputies will probably plunge immediately into the trade sector.

United Press and Associated Press.

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Major Crisis Developing In Turkey

Istanbul, June 28. A political crisis of serious proportions developed rapidly in Turkey last night over the Government's internal policies.

There were reports that the Grand National Assembly might be called into extraordinary session to deal with what was called "a revolutionary movement" by the opposition Democratic Party.

The Cabinet of Premier Sigmund Gullustay met in emergency session—the second in less than 24 hours—and the ultra-conservative paper "Akşam" said that the Government was in a "revolutionary" position.

It was reported that Cella Bayar, leader of the Democrats, is inciting the people to revolt.—Associated Press.

COMMAND CAR WAR RELIC

Ottawa, June 29. A three-ton command car which carried Vicepoint Alexander, Canada's Governor-General, safely through the Africa campaign has been given a prominent berth in the Canadian war museum.

Its wartime driver, Quartermaster J. A. (Doc) Welch of Bedford, England, still drives for the Field Marshal at Government House.

Joe, now 48, has driven more than 1,000,000 miles over England's roads in other vehicles but has a warm and loving regard for the "desert buggy."

"It has gone over 180,000 miles, taken His Excellency from Cairo right across North Africa and into Sicily and Italy and never a breakdown or a bullet hole or a scratch," he said.

The baboon-tyred car with canvas roof and Tommy gun and rifle mountings was built especially for Vicepoint Alexander in a Cairo army workshop in 1941. It has four engines.

King George, General Dwight Eisenhower and Field Marshal Lord Montgomery have all ridden in it.—Associated Press.

UNION TRIES TO SETTLE STRIKE

London, June 27. The Ministry of Labour announced tonight that one British union is taking all possible steps to urge the London dockers on strike in support of the Canadian seaman to return to work.

The Ministry has asked the other union what it is doing to get its members back, it said.

A total of 2,400 dockers in the Royal and Surrey group of docks stopped work today in support of Canadian ships' crews who again walked out over the week-end after accusing shipowners of "double-crossing" them.

According to the announcement, the Transport and General Workers' Union said that it is doing its best to secure full normal working so far as its members are concerned.

"In a telegram to the General Secretary of the National Amalgamated Stevedores and Dockers, the Ministry said that it hopes its Executive will do the same."

The Ministry announcement concluded: "As the Minister (Mr. George Isaacs) stated on Thursday last, these disputes involving Canadian seamen are not the concern of people in this country and the men should not allow themselves to be led into an action that can only bring loss and hardship to themselves and the rest of the community."

It is expected that all 7,000 men in the Royal and Surrey group of docks will be back in the Port of London—will have stopped work by tomorrow.

An official of the London Dock Labour Board said that 2,400 London dockers are now out. Earlier today, nearly 1,000 stevedores walked out of one of the other docks, where the Canadian ship, the Argonaut, is lying, leaving eight ships idle.

The other Canadian ship, the Beaverbrook, is in one of the Royal group of docks.

The stevedores' strike followed allegations by the Canadian seamen that the agencies engaged in the strike, the Canadian Pacific Steamship Company, is not being kept—Reuter.

WIGS OFF IN THE LORDS

London, June 27. Officials in the House of Lords were allowed to remove their wigs today because of the heat when the temperature reached 84 degrees, the highest this year.

Except for a small area of North West Scotland, Britain has had no rain since June 12.—United Press.

JAP PRODUCTION

Washington, June 29. Japan's pig iron and steel output reached post-war record levels in the first quarter of this year, the U.S. Commerce Department reports.

Preliminary figures indicate a total of 308,000 metric tons of pig iron and 633,000 tons of crude steel, compared with 210,000 tons of pig iron and 293,000 tons of crude steel in the first quarter of 1945.—Associated Press.

BRITISH PROFIT AND LOSS IN FORMER MANDATE

London, June 29. Senior Government officials leave for Tel Aviv this week to help draw up a profit and loss account of Britain's former Palestine mandate.

A Colonial Office spokesman said that R. W. McGergh, one time commissioner for local authorities in Palestine, and N. J. Hogan, who was the Solicitor-General of Palestine, are being temporarily attached to the staff of the Minister, A. K. Halm.

Millions of pounds, he said, are at stake in the Anglo-Israeli talks which began on July 1. The talks may lead to a settlement of the two countries' claims and counter-claims which have arisen out of Britain's term as the mandatory authority in the Holy Land.

Last February British-held Palestine assets were insufficient to cover liabilities which arose after this country ended its mandate on May 14, 1948. This was due largely to the fact that when Britain left the Holy Land, Palestine accounts showed a deficit exceeding £3,000,000.

Since that time, Britain's agents in Palestine have collected a good deal of money owing to it.

Restrictions imposed by the Israeli Government on the movement of funds have held up transfer of these moneys.

Liquidation of Claims

Next month's Tel Aviv talks will be concerned among other things with liquidating each country's claims on the other.

Britain, for instance, will ask compensation for cultural and religious buildings, installations and so on which the Israelis have taken over.

And Israel, on the other hand, is likely to call for compensation in respect of losses and damage sustained owing to the actions of British troops in Palestine.

Both sides will have to agree on what should be done about the payment of pensions to Palestine civil servants and public officials and about deposits standing to the credit of the former mandatory power.

The British delegation to the talks is expected to include officials of the Foreign Office and the Treasury.

Lausanne Talks

Meanwhile, in Lausanne, the heads of delegations to the Arab-Israeli peace talks are awaiting instructions from their governments as to whether to return for consultations during the adjournment in the conversations which begin on Friday.

An Israeli spokesman said today that Dr. Walter Eytan, chief of the delegation, still does not know whether he will return to Tel Aviv.

The Arab spokesman said the heads of the four Arab delegations are in communication with their Governments and should know soon.

The adjournment was called following a deadlock in the negotiations. It will last until July 18.

The Commission's general sub-committee and committee on Jerusalem met this morning and will continue to meet during the adjournment. The committee on Jerusalem will draw up a report to the Commission on a plan for the future of the Holy City.

It has not been decided yet whether to establish two committees to discuss refugees and Jews, as was suggested by Dr. Eytan. The Israeli spokesman said: "Our main position is that the talks should go on following the adjournment."

Associated Press and United Press.

PEACE IN PALESTINE FORECAST

Chicago, June 27. There is no prospect of outright warfare between Israel and Syria now, that the countries have settled down to determined efforts at peace talks.

Dr. Ralph Bunche, United Nations mediator on Palestine, said this here today.

Dr. Bunche said it would take statesmanship on both sides to see that the State of Israel is fully established and progress being made.

He gave his views at a news conference at the offices of the Chicago Council on Foreign Relations. He came to Chicago to speak before the meeting which is to be held by the organization tonight.

He said that, furthermore, he believes only short localized fighting can result at this stage of negotiations towards an armistice.

"You cannot bring about an armistice in two months," he said.

"In some cases it takes years. That is why I am gratified at the progress of work so far," United Press.

WINSTON GETS WATCH BACK

London, June 28. Winston Churchill has got back an inscribed gold watch he gave away 50 years ago.

Mr. Churchill was a war correspondent in the "Boer War" in South Africa. The Boers caught him and jailed him. Mr. Churchill escaped and two Britons who worked in a gold mine hid him in the pit.

Later Mr. Churchill gave both of them watches.

One of them, Joseph McHenry, died several years ago, leaving the watch to his wife. Now she has died and left it to Mr. Churchill.

Mr. Churchill disclosed today that he has accepted the gift.—Associated Press.

FIRST PI STOCK IN NEW YORK

New York, June 28. Stock of the Benguet Consolidated Mining Company yesterday became the first Philippine Republic corporate security listed on the New York Stock Exchange.

Political and financial figures of the United States and the Philippines attended the opening ceremonies at the offices of Emil Schram, President of the Exchange, and on the floor of the Exchange.—Associated Press.

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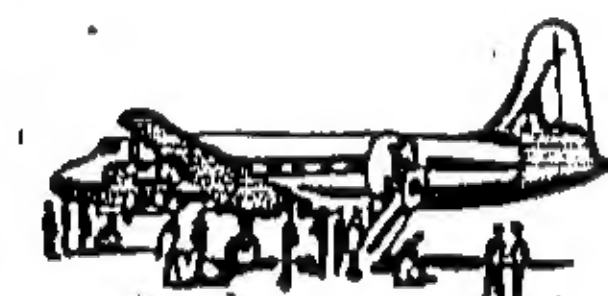
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CRISIS IN BRITAIN

It is no longer possible for the planners in London to disguise the fact that Britain is facing an economic crisis. The Socialists have done their part. They have taken the money away from those who had it, or tried to earn it, and given it to the deserving sansculottes whose votes put them into power, and who expected to have at least half of their needs provided free by a beneficent government. Meanwhile the theorists on nationalisation were accepting millions from capitalist America to support their fairy castle economy.

Now the cracks in the structure are becoming so apparent that they can no longer be ignored. Rumours about devaluation, whether originated by interested American bankers or not, the sensational drop in exports to hard currency countries, and the consequent widening of the dollar gap, the diminishing reserves of gold, the startling drop in the stock market—to mention a few of the recent developments—are gradually making their effects felt, even in the strongholds of the TUC.

In New York, Sir Hartley Shawcross suggested that further austerities might be necessary in the United Kingdom in view of the serious situation. His words will not be welcomed by the rank and file, who for years had been told that all that was required was for labour to take over industry and to soak the rich, for everyone to swim around in milk and honey. It now appears that people have to work and produce goods, and at an economical price too, in order that they may live well.

It is true that our rapidly dropping sales in America are due to several causes: the devaluation rumours, which imply that if importers wait a month or two, they can obtain goods more cheaply, the partial slump and growing unemployment in the U.S., and not only to the unduly high prices of British goods. Sir Hartley, with an eye on the forthcoming election, naturally deplored any suggestion that wages should come down. In point of fact, the average working man at home does not receive an unduly high remuneration when the cost of living is considered, but whether he gives value for it is another matter. It is, however, true that increased productivity—revised methods and improved machinery—is the answer.

The "China Mail" seldom touches on the developing aspects of this matter, as the subject is uncomfortably gloomy, and the solution is not easy to find in the time available. Aid from America will not continue for ever, and little seems to be done in the interim, except to multiply the slogans about the need to export or die. The hard facts are avoided; that it is impossible in the foreseeable future to balance trade with the hard currency area.

Believers in expansion of raw material sources, and markets for processed goods within the Commonwealth continue to be scoffed at by individuals who prefer to



Nor would any man in a normal, healthy state, in full possession of his mental and physical faculties, qualify as a traitor and spy, the fact that he had held conversations and entered into correspondence with foreign diplomats accredited to his country in which he called their attention to certain developments in public life. No normal man thinks of such matters as a criminal; at least, I cannot imagine any democracy in which such confessions could be written without torture and inhuman pressure.

As I have said, we have no photographs, no documentary evidence as to what happened to Cardinal Mindszenty at No. 60 Andrássy ut. This ill-famed building had been the headquarters of the Hungarian Nazi Gestapo. There they had plotted the coup d'état which brought them to power, with German help, in October 1944. It was only 50 yards from the Hungarian secret police headquarters in the same building. The house was repaired and redecorated; its windows were made gay with boxes of geraniums. A spiked railing was erected around its walls and it was permanently surrounded by a cordon of porters. Here, we know, methods of investigation were and are used which would shame the Inquisition. Some of my personal friends have been detained in its "foul" cells and by bribery or very rare good fortune, have come out alive. Perhaps I might be permitted to quote the experience of one of them. Dr. Tibor Ham was a former member of the Hungarian Parliament and one of the outstanding associates of ex-Prime Minister Francis Nagy. As a physician, he was able to observe and analyse the events inside the building with a medical eye.

Modern Crime

It is the unexampled crime of our modern age that the great discoveries of science, psychology and medicine are used for the purposes of war and destruction—instead of progress; not for the service of the best of humanity, but for the spreading of mental and physical diseases. The aim in the totalitarian countries is invariably the same. It is necessary to make the accused whom the totalitarian Communist system supposes to be its enemy put into prison with his own lips the confession of guilt on which the Communist regime has decided. Will-power must be broken, the hardest character must be made malleable and transmogrified so that the great comedy can be played out in front of the "People's Court." In such a court the Cardinal is no longer a Prelate fighting for human liberties or independence, for the laws of faith and morality—he is only a miserable, glibly conspirator who is attacking the existing social order. These who have suffered in Auschwitz or Mauthausen and survived can testify to this. But this is only a preparation. Still at the preliminary stage, the prisoner is kept for days in a dark underground cell where often he cannot stand, even if he is not beaten. After some days, the

minimum amount of calories needed for the maintenance of life is 1,800 a day. In No. 60 Andrássy, the prisoners are given 600 calories daily—less than in the concentration camps of Dachau or Belsen. The loss of physical strength leads to the breaking down of physical resistance. Those who have suffered in Auschwitz or Mauthausen and survived can testify to this. But this is only a preparation. Still at the preliminary stage, the prisoner is kept for days in a dark underground cell where often he cannot stand, even if he is not beaten. After some days, the

handle the affairs of a trade union rather than of an Empire. We, however, will continue to stress that this solution, no matter how difficult of accomplishment, is the only way out for Britain.

PART IV: ROAD TO CALVARY

THE MINDSZENTY STORY

Age's Unexampled Crime

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all sense of direction, he does not know whether it is night or day, winter or summer. Immediately after such a period of solitary confinement he is questioned. Six or eight people are present to interrogate him, trying to discover his physical, mental and spiritual condition; either by promises of a shorter term in prison, or an improvement in his food, it is possible to force the desired confession from him. If he has not succumbed to the "softening up" process, more drastic methods are employed. The Western Press have discussed, in connection with Cardinal Mindszenty's case, the employment of acetone. Some doctors even obliged the editors to state the statement that this is quite an innocent stimulant and cannot cause any mental disturbance. Perhaps they have never applied a sufficiently large dose, or perhaps the Russians and their satellites have developed a new form of the drug. It is certain, according to Dr. Ham, who experienced it himself, that acetone, in addition to the tortures already endured, creates in the victim a strong persecution mania. Now follows the so-called "Wall System." To stand facing a wall for two or three hours causes nausea, dizziness, partial blindness. You can produce this effect yourself even after a little as half an hour. Now imagine what effect such torture has if it is kept up for twenty-four or forty-eight hours! The legs and feet swell, shoes become thumpy, and the victim loses all physical and mental resistance. According to doctors, in this "negative stage," the prisoner is kept for days in a dark room under conditions that he repulses automatically to any question; rises or sits down but the command without the slightest hesitation; becomes an unconscious sleep-walker; a mere automaton. There is no sworn statement, no moving picture record of Cardinal Mindszenty's five weeks in the prison of the Hungarian Communist Gestapo; but no one can doubt that in the full possession of his mind and consciousness he would never have written the pages reproduced in the Communist "Yellow Book."

New Martyrdom

As a human being I know that in a man who lives a well-developed spiritual and mental life the soul has full command over the weakness of the flesh. The body is the instrument of the soul, and if it is incited there is no servant to execute the soul's commands, no means through which the will can be made manifest. As a priest, I know that Divine Grace is able to perform miraculous changes, even in the weak human body, and easily reject the instrument of the flesh. This Grace does not eliminate, but lifts up nature. It builds upon nature. But when the physical basis has collapsed there is nothing from which the Divine Power can produce a miraculous spiritual phenomenon. The scrupulous and wise wit of Divine Providence has brought Cardinal Mindszenty, perhaps just because God wished to vouchsafe a special glory to his great son, Mindszenty's spiritual greatness and heroic strength of character are even enhanced by the fact that he foresaw the collapse of his physical strength. Nevertheless he rejected flight and safety, and remained in Hungary; instead of changing his attitude, he stood firm. Perhaps this is a new, modern form of Christian martyrdom which history has never known before. Together with the heroes of the twentieth century, Divine Providence has brought this new glory to Christianity. The confessor of faith sacrifices not only his life, his physical being, but his moral individuality as well, for his convictions, for his Christian Catholic Faith which demands the whole man.

There is no signed and sealed statement, no evidence that would stand up in a Western court of law as to what happened to Cardinal Mindszenty between December 23, 1948, and February 8, 1949. The torture-chambers keep their secrets, and we can only point to the holes and develop theories which, in this case, must replace the proof of facts. An equal air of mystery surrounds the trial. Never before in world history has a Cardinal of the Holy Roman Church been treated with such scant justice. Never before have five years seen a sentence of imprisonment passed on a Prelate of the Catholic Church. If the confidential information is to be believed, there was at least one minister in the Hungarian Communist Government who wanted to make the trial, even shorter. By the way, who is to be blamed for the left wing of Matthias Rakosi, the traitor dictator of Hungary, suggested such a sentence? Cardinal Mindszenty should be

arrested, tried and executed all in the space of a single day. This was, however, too much even for the head of the Hungarian Communist Party and the Soviet representative in Hungary. So they compromised and agreed on five days.

World Reaction

The Hungarian Government cannot be surprised if the public opinion of the world judges its action by the rules of human common sense and the centuries-old laws of justice. Does anyone believe that the Mindszenty trial ended with the just sentence of an independent court, passed on the basis of proved charges? I cannot believe it. The charges, according to the Government statement, were substantiated by the secret documents found in the aluminium tube which the search of December 23, 1948, discovered in the cellars of the Primate's palace. Thereupon the Hungarian secret police acted with commendable despatch and arrested the Cardinal. This is a vulgar and blatant lie. During the summer of 1948, Julius Ortutay, the Hungarian Minister of Education and Religious Affairs, told me that the indictment of Cardinal Mindszenty was ready down to the very last point. In the summer of 1948 I was still the head of the Catholic Department of the Ministry of Education. It was by the orders of the Cardinal Primate that I stayed at his post three times he told me to carry on with my work. Ortutay, who had shamefully betrayed his own religion and in his boundless ambition, had become the servile implement of the Communists, told me that the indictment included the last cent or dollar which was to be alleged, the Cardinal had sold in the black market from money received as part of the aid entrusted to him by the Hungarian Catholics of America. Of course, the Minister of Education had no idea of principles or loyalty. The only reason he told me the details of this already concocted indictment was that he knew my official and personal connection with the Cardinal and wanted to exert pressure through me upon him in favour of a "peaceful" agreement.

Naturally I only repeated these "helpful" remarks to Andrew Zakar, the Cardinal's secretary, not wishing to molest the Primate with such ridiculous and ignominious slanders. Andrew Zakar, remarked with a smile that all this was only aimless intimidation and threats as there was, of course, no basis for the charges of conspiracy or treason, currency transactions. No, the incriminating documents were certainly not found on December 23, 1948. For three years the Communists and their hirelings had been working unremittingly and deliberately to "prepare" the charges. At first they believed that the Primate of Hungary could be harnessed to the service of the Communist system, just as they succeeded in winning for their purposes a great many Hungarians with democratic ideas and blameless political pasts. With these men they used threats or dismissal and arrest, having collected data about their past Communist attitude or certain details of their private lives. They really believed that they could disrupt the Hungarian Catholic Church by the same means and coerce her into the service of the system, as they had done, for instance, with the "Shallholders" Party.

Null and Void

If the charges were so easy to prove why did they offer to Josef Rudas, and according to Josef Rudas, the Cardinal was repeatedly offered the opportunity to escape abroad? Why was it necessary for the Hungarian Government to organise so-called protests of public opinion so that they should be "forced" to bring him to trial? They had no witnesses. Just because they had no evidence they had to use sinister and unimaginable methods to force the Cardinal to become his own accuser. A few days before his arrest, when he was already fully informed of the charges that were to be brought against him, Cardinal Mindszenty wrote to the Archbishop and to his Chapter. "As I have never taken part in any conspiracy, I shall never resign; I shall not talk. If after this you should hear that I have admitted this or that, that I have resigned my office, even if this is a lie, please do not believe it. You must know that such a declaration will not be an act of my free will; that it will only be the consequence of human frailty. In the same way I declare any confession imposed on me from this date onwards null and void. Truly, even if other documents produced in the 'Yellow Book' and at the trial were absolutely genuine, they could not establish the charge of conspiracy."

espionage and treason. The only witness who confirmed the charges was the Cardinal himself. We have become familiar with this kind of trial only in the Soviet Union: such travesties of justice have never occurred in the history of civilised nations; and if the charges were clearly supported by incontestable evidence, why was it necessary to exclude from the trial the Hungarian public and the representatives of world public opinion?

The Communist system ascribes tremendous importance to propaganda and mass demonstrations. There is not the slightest doubt, therefore, that had they possessed the necessary evidence they would not have excluded, because of "lack of space," the Hungarian public and the representatives of the foreign Press, in that case they would certainly have admitted foreign Pressmen of other than Communist tendencies and convictions. It is extremely interesting to analyse who were the representatives of the foreign Press at this trial which was staged most carefully to give a semblance of justice. Reuters were represented by Peter Furst, who had been expelled from Yugoslavia because as a loyal Communist he took the side of the Cominform against the Tito regime. Michael Byrne, the representative of Time, and Wilfred G. Burghell, correspondent of the Daily Express, the correspondents of France Soir and Agence France Presse were well known as friends of the so-called "Peoples' Democracies." The Communist Daily Worker was allowed to send a correspondent; the Basler Nachrichten and International News Service were served by their permanent Budapest correspondents who had written several articles against Mindszenty in the "Ugla," the official daily of the Smallholders' Party. The representative of Unity, the Italian Communist newspaper, was also granted a visa. These Communists or fellow-traveller journalists were all ready to sign a declaration demanded by the Press Department of the Hungarian Foreign Office to the effect that their work had been uncensored and free. But if the Press was supposed to have every facility and unrestricted freedom, why was the request of the Abbe Gas, the Left-Wing French Deputy, refused when he asked for an interview with Cardinal Mindszenty without official supervision? All the abbe wanted was to hear his "voluntary" confession from the Cardinal's own lips. Why was another suggestion denied—to have the Cardinal examined by an international committee of doctors? Why were the British and American Legations in Budapest banned from sending representatives to the trial? Why was it necessary to refuse visas to the vast majority of foreign journalists who were not already in Budapest at the time of the trial? If convincing proof of the Primate's guilt was forthcoming, all these tricks and evasions would not have been necessary. When the Hungarian Legations in Paris and Rome held Press conferences about the "Yellow Book," why was it impossible to address a anti-Communist attitude or certain details of their private lives. They really believed that they could disrupt the Hungarian Catholic Church by the same means and coerce her into the service of the system, as they had done, for instance, with the "Shallholders" Party.

Another thing when our Government department heads don't have to listen to the nominated members any more, they won't feel the need of retelling at 45. Mrs. Stewart of the Bras used to recall meeting an old crone who had settled in Blackpool. "We're doing fine," the friend reported. "My daughter was the light rope walker at the circus, but she's no able for that, no, being a bit on the heavy side, so she's the body-less woman."

Latest On The Blockade. Who is that lean, Napoleonic figure in full uniform standing in the sternsides of a sampan as he cruises off the port of Foochow, sweeping the horizon with his spyglass in sight of a blockade-running line-jumper? By that broom at his waist there can be no doubt. It is the Admirallissimo again, with the last, loyal remnant of his fleet.

See, over the dancing blue waters a bottle comes bobbing. With practised hand he scoops it, in drawing the cork with his teeth in best Baltimore style, as he reads the dreaded Chiang Kai-shek, terror of the China Coast. Reading what is writ with his own darkens.

"Avast there! he roars at the common, 'Bulwark' first ship! Without wasting time he commences to load a jingal with pot-pots, silver dollars and what have you, for word has come that another scoundrelly Greasemeadow freighter is attempting to land a cargo of contraband kilm for Communist kide.

See, Seemins "face" he even seizes an oar in his own hands for he must make the blockade effective at all costs, and, haring the coast, the first two thousand kilometres are the worst. Manfully he struggles to make more speed, his heavy six foot cutlass insisting on getting in the way.

But what is this? Suddenly the sky darkens. It is a cloud of detected P 51s flying in that peculiar formation of a five pointed star which shows that they belong to the Liberator, Air Force.

Will they see the Admirallissimo and his tin craft? Suddenly the sea is empty! A shimmering expanse of nothingness (broken only by the smoke from the funnels of 10,000 blockade-running vessels around the horizon, carrying at their bowheads every howling known to Hong Kong's prayers).

Once again the Phantom of Fenghuang has eluded his enemies and faded away from their view in his favourite cloud of hot air.

(To Be Continued Tomorrow)



The Chinese Communist Army is the most chaste of all armies of all times, says a Tientsin report. And the National Army is the most chaste.

Quite a flurry is believed to have been caused in nominated circles by a canon that the Reform Club was thinking of affiliating with the Ku Klux Klan.

If Ankara gets Economic Aid, the first commodity to appear in bulk will, of course, be Turkish delight.

Some Sow, Others Reap. Ponchara have lifted the oyster-beds of Japan's culture pearl king.

For Mikimoto many a pearly yem. The dark unfathomed caves of Ocean bore. Until the day some most misguided men, He found, had fathomed them a bit before.

Blackmarketing burial plots causes grave difficulties. Once curates only looked for tea—now they get tea-money.

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LONDON DISCUSSING RECOGNITION ISSUE

Decision In Few Days On China Communists BELLIGERENT STATUS

London, June 27.

The British Commonwealth countries may recognise the Chinese Communists as a belligerent power as a result of the coastal blockade proclaimed by the Nationalists.

The entire question is understood to be under review not only with her Dominions but with the United States as well. The British decision is expected within a few days.

British experts feel that the Nationalists erred in proclaiming the closure of ports over which they no longer have effective control. It will harm the British commercial interests in China without bringing the Nationalists any military advantages, they say.

CHINESE MINISTER CONFIDENT

Manila, June 28.

The Chinese Minister, Mr. Chen Chih-ping, who returned last night from China, said the Nationalists have established a defence line in South China and are confident they will be able to hold Canton.

The defence line runs West to East across Hunan province, he said.

Mr. Chen, who spent about four weeks visiting Canton and Taiwan, said that in the event that Canton falls, the National Government will probably be transferred to Chungking and plans have been made for such an eventuality.

Morale is high in South China as well as in Taiwan, he claimed. Asked about military operations, Mr. Chen said the Nationalists have been able to capture certain towns in Shensi province.

It is pretty quiet in the Hunan area, he added.

The Minister declined to discuss the newly-imposed Nationalist coastal blockade.

Asked whether Chiang Kai-shek is taking an active part in the direction of Chinese affairs, Mr. Chen replied that Chiang has now returned and is apparently living in Taiwan.—United Press.

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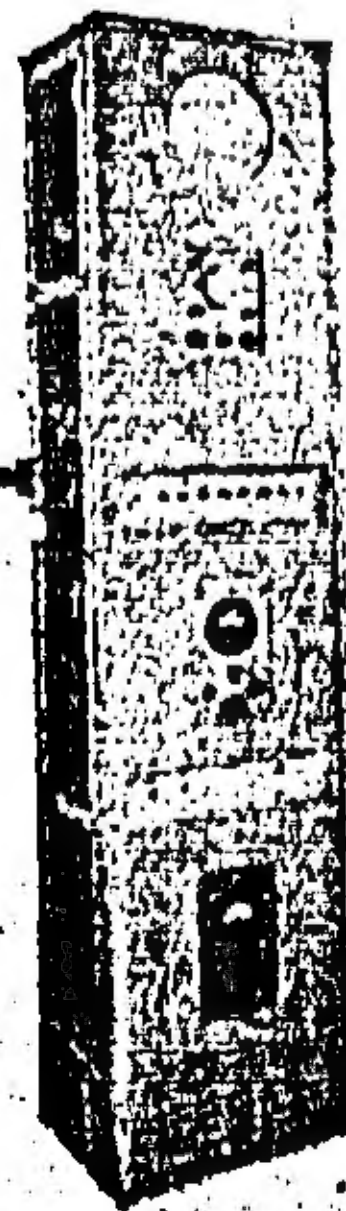
London, June 27.

Some of Britain's leading architects and surveyors will sail on July 10 with plumbers, bricklayers and carpenters to find out whether the rapid building methods used in the United States can be effectively used in the British post-war housing programme.

A team of 16, representing supervisory, technical and workshop sections of the British building industry, will spend six weeks in the United States under the auspices of the Anglo-American Council on Productivity.—Reuters.

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JAP WAR CRIMINALS Surprise Ruling In Washington

Washington, June 28.

Six months after he aided with the U.S. Supreme Court majority in denying a hearing to convicted Japanese war criminals, Justice William O. Douglas handed down an opinion yesterday forming the December action potentially dangerous.

At the same time, he practically invited those serving prison terms for war crimes to raise the issue in lower American courts as to whether they are being legally held.

Renewed Riots In Calcutta

Calcutta, June 27.

Demonstrators, 100 of them, who defied Calcutta's ban on processions by trying to march into the Bengal Secretariat, in the heart of the city, today were Communist-inspired, according to police officials.

The demonstrators, who pelted the police with stones and bricks, shouted slogans protesting against police firing on Communist prisoners who mutilated in Calcutta jails. The procession was dispersed with tear gas bombs and latins (sticks).

An assistant Police Commissioner and seven policemen were injured in a clash with strikers today at an American-owned factory in North Calcutta, where workmen have been striking because some of their demands have not been met by the management.

The factory remained open.

Eight were killed and several were injured in a week-end clash between farm hands and landowners 40 miles from Benares on the borders of the Mirzapur district (the United Provinces) and Benares State.

The labourers, after refusing to transport manure, attacked two villages belonging to the landowners and set a number of houses on fire.—Reuters.

Britain's Dependence On America

Washington, June 27.

Britain is now dependent on the United States to help her control the seas, according to Admiral Richard Connolly, Commander of the United States naval forces in the Eastern Mediterranean.

"It is obvious that the British Navy is the smallest in size and comparative strength that it has been in centuries," he said in a copyrighted interview in the United States News and World Report, an independent weekly news magazine published here.

Admiral Connolly believed the Royal Air Force is also much below the strength Britain would like to have it.

"They know that they should have more—but they just believe that they cannot afford to have more," he said.—Reuters.

Ontario, June 28.

Dr. Lillian Margery Penlon of the University of London, the only woman Vice-Chancellor of any Commonwealth university, received an honorary degree of Doctor of Letters at a special convocation at the University of West Ontario.—Associated Press.

BRITAIN'S POLICY IN CHINA

London, June 27.

The Foreign Under-Secretary, Mr. Christopher Mayhew, today denied that the British Government's policy is anti-Chinese.

This is the reverse of the truth, he said.

Replying to a question asked by Mr. John Langford-Holt, Conservative, in the House of Commons, Mr. Mayhew said: "Our policy is to maintain friendly relations with the Chinese people and I should like to take the opportunity of making it clear that the statement that the policy of the British Government is anti-Chinese is the reverse of the truth."—Reuters.

BACKS JAP ADMISSION TO ILO

Geneva, June 28.

Mr. David A. Morse, Director General of the International Labour Organisation, today urged that Japan be re-admitted as a full member of the organisation.

Mr. Morse told a plenary session of the 32nd International Labour Conference:

"I am confident that I am reflecting the views of the conference when I express the hope that we shall soon welcome Japan back into this organisation as a full and independent member of the community of nations."

The Japanese delegation at the current conference has only observer status and is not entitled to vote.

Mr. Morse said that the International Labour Organisation should study the possibility of assuming responsibility for displaced persons and refugees after the International Refugee Organisation and the United Nations Refugee Relief Administration go out of existence.

The International Refugee Organisation is expected to terminate its activities at the end of June 1950 when, according to IRO estimate, some 170,000 refugees will remain in IRO-operated camps in Europe.—Associated Press.

Londoners Swelter In Heat Wave

London, June 27.

London sweltered today when the temperature rose to 89 degrees—the highest this summer—and Southern England entered its fifth day of official "drought" after being without rain for 15 days.

The remainder of Britain has had no rain since June 12. If there is no rain before tomorrow morning—the Meteorological Office forecast is fine and warm—the whole of Britain will be in a state of "absolute drought."

Thousands of London workers took their sandwiches to lunch to shady spots near the Thames and to the city's open spaces.

The high day temperatures followed a warm night in which London's midnight temperature was 56 degrees—four degrees above the year's previous highest midnight temperature.—Reuters.

Soviet Agency Is Given Immunity

London, June 27.

The Court of Appeal ruled today that Tass, the Soviet official news agency, enjoys immunity as a department of a sovereign State, and can not be sued in a British court.

The Court dismissed an appeal by Mr. Vladimir Kralina, a Czech refugee and former Prague University professor, from a court order setting aside service of a libel writ by Mr. Kralina against Tass.

Leave of appeal to the House of Lords was granted. It was stated that a certificate had been given by the Russian Ambassador in London to the effect that the Tass Agency is an organ of the Soviet State, and on that ground service of the writ had been set aside by a Magistrate and the decision affirmed by Mr. Justice Birkett in Chambers on December 10 last year. It was from the Judge's order that the appeal was brought.

Lord Justice Cohen said that in the light of the Soviet Ambassador's certificate in this case, the Court is bound to come to the conclusion that Tass is a department of the Soviet State, though whether or not it had been given a separate juridical existence is another matter.

The translation of the Soviet decree establishing Tass, said that the Tass Agency enjoys all the rights of a juridical person.

Mr. Kralina issued a writ against the Tass Agency last May claiming damages for alleged libel contained in the Soviet Monitor of May 7, 1948, in an article headed "Betrayed British troops to Gestapo," and an injunction to restrain the defendants from further publishing or circulating any similar matter.—Reuters.

BRITAIN GIVES AN ASSURANCE

Atlanta, Georgia, June 27.

Sir Hartley Shawcross, the British Attorney-General, today assured the United States that American Marshall aid dollars are not being used to finance social services in Britain.

In an address on the state of the British nation, he told the English-Speaking Union here: "No part of our expenditure on social services has been financed out of dollar aid, and the development of the services, out of taxation, represents a redistribution of incomes in accordance with what, rightly or wrongly, we think are the proper conceptions of social justice."

Describing Britain's economic plight, Sir Hartley said that the prices of necessities which Britain has to buy have gone up more in proportion than those of the things which Britain has to sell.—Reuters.

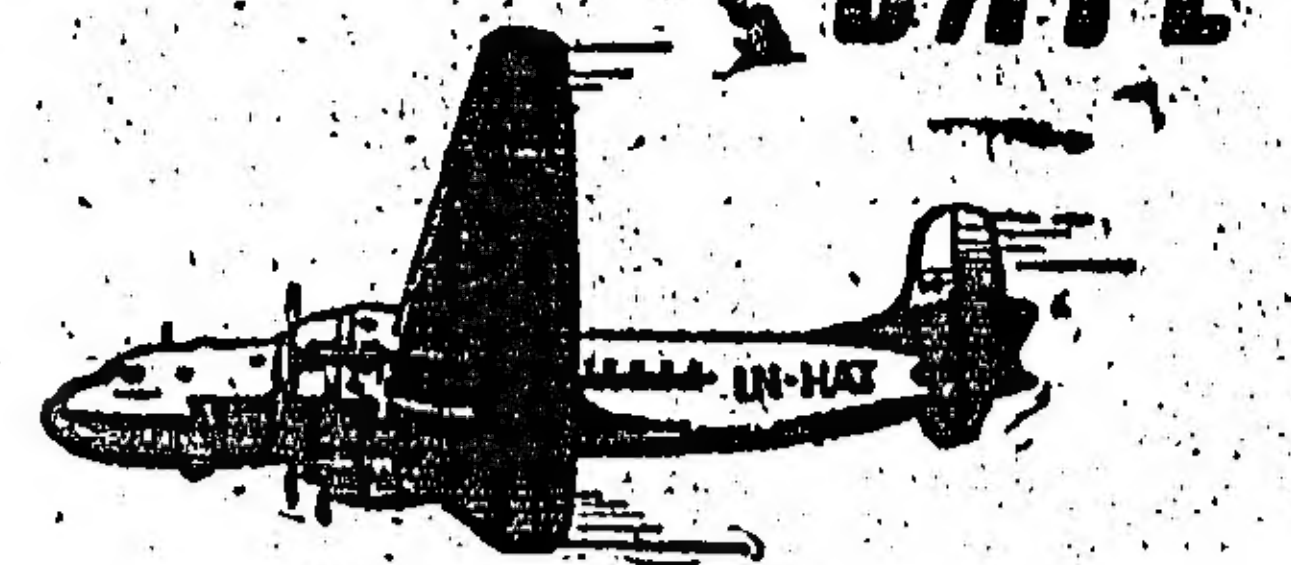
WAVELL IN RUHR

Hamburg, June 28.

Field Marshal Lord Wavell today watched troops of the first battalion of the Black Watch training in the Ruhr. Lord Wavell is Colonel-in-Chief of the regiment.

He will inspect the air lift and visit troops in Berlin during his short visit to Germany.—Associated Press.

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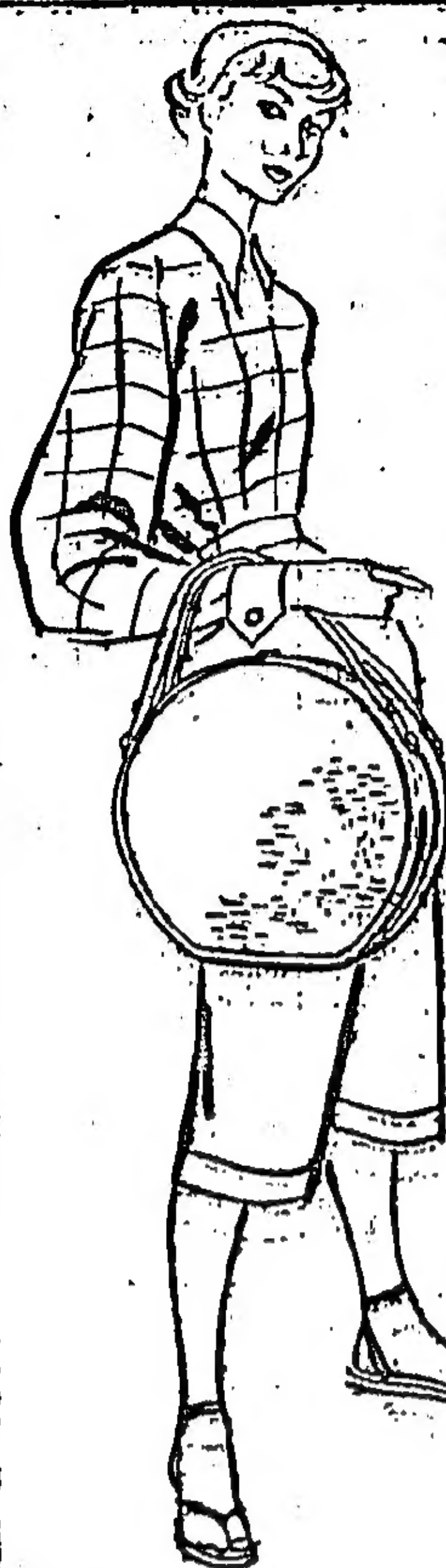
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A NEW craze for wicker-
work accessories is
keeping the basket makers
busy. Women have the
clean lines and natural
colouring, both so right
with this season's cool-
looking clothes.

At a London cotton
parade wickerwork acces-
sories stole the show. I
noticed a cheery little
wickerwork fez for less
than £2 10s. A sum-
mer's cap, provided with
a space for a gay head
scarf, cost £1 10s. 2d. On
a shiny day it would be
the ideal hat for either
town or country.

A bandbox-sized wicker-
work bag to sling over
one's shoulder was perfect
for the beach. It would
take everything needed—
towel, bathing suit, sewing
and a novel. The
price was £4 10s. 6d.
Most amusing of
all was a hat-cum-
bag. It had a
wickerwork frame, and
long stocking-like attach-
ment in gaily-coloured
cotton, and was designed
to act as either hat or bag.



As a hat it had a vaguely
washbuckling appear-
ance. Its cost? Less than
£2 10s.

The fashion for wicker-
work has even invaded
the home.

Do you remember those
comfortable but cranky
wickerwork armchairs
that used to reside in the
kitchen or nursery? They
usually had a decided and
rather portly look.

Miniature versions of
these are the newest idea
in lounge furniture. They
go with the hot-topper
wickerwork coffee table.

One old Sussex crafts-
man, whose family has
been specializing in a
wickerwork furniture for

the past two hundred
years, tells me that he has
rarely been so busy over
the last twenty years.
Girls in New York, in-
cidentally, are making
their own wickerwork
handbags by using fruit
baskets. The basket forms
the base and the top half
is made from chintz with
a drawing at the neck.
The wickerwork part can
be lined with chintz too.
It's an idea we could copy
here.



Wearing wickerwork is
all right provided you can
carry it off, says

THE UNDERDOG

Queen Mary:

WOMAN OF THE CENTURY

London.
As the dark limousine swung
slowly through the gates recently,
the lady in powder-grey inter-
rupted her conversation with
other occupants of the car to bow
graciously to a girl on the kerbside.
The girl, who had been half-
lounging and staring back with
the almost imperceptible lack of
manners of her generation,
straightened, then dipped into a
curtsy. She was blushing.

I watched the car turn the
corner from Marlborough House
in the direction of Buckingham
Palace and wondered. Did
Queen Mary know that her
gesture the tiny incident re-
peated so many hundreds of
times during each year was an-
other lesson of courtesy?

Her face was grave, but was
there not a twinkle in her eyes,
an understanding of the girl who
did not mean to do reverence, yet
could not help herself because—
This was Queen Mary?

She has seen a hundred thou-
sand deep genuflections, and
sweeping bows—but that invol-
untary curtsy was as true a
tribute as any to her power over
our hearts.

Pride And Faith

What has she meant to us
throughout the years?

To the older generation she
stands for courage and endur-
ance, principles, pride and faith.
To younger people the straight
figure in toque and fur, leaning
slightly on a cane or parasol, is
our history, our vision of Europe
ago.

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eyes are a challenge to our
strength. She has seen so much,
and suffered unbowed. She is
the Grandmother of England.

Paradoxically, Queen Mary is
also one of the most modern-
minded women in the country.
No one could be more wholly
part of the century—more closely
in touch with any mechanical
improvement, new device, pro-
blem play, controversial book.

Landgirls, for instance, or ken-
nel maids, girls working in rabbit
farming or in canning fruit and
drying vegetables, owe their

By **INGRID
ETTER**

careers to Queen Mary's direct
interest in women's work many
years ago.

The first landgirls were her
girls, trained in Horticultural
during the first World War.

Little Princess. May of Teck,
who described herself in those
far-off days when she was
growing up in Queen Victoria's
early home at Kensington Palace
as very naughty, very happy, and
very uninteresting, has never
tried to escape from the disci-
pline and responsibilities of her
Victorian upbringing in a not
wealthy family which contained
three younger brothers.

Today she will be busy, rising
early to read, personally the
thousands of greetings Mar-
lborough House is receiving from
all over the world, and then
lunching with her children and
grandchildren at Buckingham
Palace.

She is finding time, at last,
after a life-time of service, for
those things which she was al-
ways loved—books, needlework,
and collecting, quiet informality.

Nearly every week you could
see her, accompanied only by a
lady-in-waiting, entering a Kil-
burn cinema, to see the pro-
gramme of the day. Or her
Daughter will draw up outside a
small shop, probably one special-

izing in antiques, while she slips
unobtrusively inside to enjoy
shopping.

'Here I Am'

Such informality is in keeping
with her love of spontaneous
gestures.

From a Poor Law Institution an
old woman once wrote in 1832:
"If only I could see you once."
Queen Mary's answer was a
prompt visit and greeting: "Here
I am."

Many an ex-soldier still treas-
ures the medalion he was given
when he thumbed a lift during
the war years and was picked up
by the car with its Royal occu-
pant.

However humble some of the
tributes she receives may be she
will remember each one.

Once, before the war, while
motoring through the East End,
she insisted on stopping in a
small street and asking for a
local tradesman.

On her birthday the year be-
fore he had sent her a bouquet
on behalf of his neighbours.
Queen Mary had called to say
thank you.

Queen Mary has never allowed
the deep personal sorrows she has
known to deflect her sense of
dedication to the people.
During the last illness of King
George she overcame her anxiety
in order to make public appear-
ances in his stead, and to fulfil
those engagements to which he
was committed.

Their marriage of deep hap-
piness and unity lasted over 40
years. King George called her
"My constant helpmate."

She has seen, too, the birth of
her first great grandchild, and
those who thrived the Palace
gates saw the tears of joy as she
drove away after her first sight
of Prince Charles.

Princess Elizabeth owes much
of her charm and natural dignity
to the loving example of her
mother.

She will not wear a yard of
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and her Queens great.

RECIPE

Peanut Tart

- 1 tablespoon tapioca.
 - 1/4 cup caster sugar.
 - Pinch salt.
 - 1/4 cup cold water.
 - 1 cup golden syrup.
 - 2 eggs.
 - 2 tablespoons butter or mar-
garine.
 - 1/2 teaspoon vanilla.
 - 3/4 cup shelled peanuts.
 - 1 pastry shell.
- Partly cook tapioca and com-
bine with sugar and salt in sauce-
pan. Stir in cold water and
golden syrup. Boil five minutes,
stirring. Remove from heat and
pour gradually over slightly-
beaten eggs, stirring. Stir in but-
ter or margarine and vanilla. Cool.
Sprinkle, coarsely-chopped, pecan-
nuts over bottom of shell. Pour
in cooled filling. Bake in
hot oven for 10 minutes, reduce
heat to moderate and bake for 25
minutes, or until a knife inserted
in centre of filling comes out
clean.

Banana Cream Tart

- 1/4 cup cornflour.
 - 2-3 cup sugar.
 - 1 teaspoon salt.
 - 2 cups milk, scalded.
 - 2 egg yolks.
 - 2 tablespoons butter or mar-
garine.
 - 1/2 teaspoon vanilla.
 - 2 or 3 sliced bananas.
 - Baked pastry shell.
- Mix cornflour, sugar and salt;
gradually add milk. Cook in
double boiler till thick, stirring
constantly. Slowly add small
amount of hot mixture to slightly-
beaten egg yolks; stir into remain-
ing hot mixture. Cook five
minutes. Cool, add butter or
margarine and vanilla. Slice
bananas into cooled, baked pastry
shell and pour over cooled filling.
Garnish with dairy whip and
sliced bananas.

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NEW BRITISH TREATY WITH THE ARGENTINE

ATTACK ON PACT IN U.S.

Washington, June 27. The Senate Appropriations Committee today closed its hearings on the European Recovery Programme with bitter criticism of the new Anglo-Argentine pact.

Mr. Paul Hoffman, Economic Co-operation Administrator, told the Committee it is clear that if Europe refuses to break down world trade barriers the Marshall Plan will fail in its purpose.

The great problem that lies ahead for the United States, he said, is to break down the barriers and try to avoid such bilateral trade agreements as the one made between Britain and Argentina.

Although condemning bilateralism, Mr. Hoffman told the Committee that Britain had no alternative source of meat than the supplies obtainable from Argentina.

Mr. Hoffman stood firm in his opposition to any major cuts in the E.C.A. spending in the second year of the programme.

Senator Wherry (Republican, Nebraska) said that he will support a cut of from five to 10 per cent in the programme.—Reuter.

KOREAN HINT TO TRUMAN

Washington, June 27. The Korean Ambassador, Mr. John Chang, today requested President Truman to provide military assistance for the Korean Republic before the United States troops withdrew.

Mr. Chang called on Mr. Truman to thank him for the US\$150,000,000 Korean assistance programme which the House Foreign Committee is to report on favourably tomorrow.

He said Mr. Truman received him warmly and promised he will do everything he can to assist the Republic in its problems.

"We feel we should be better equipped and supplied before the U.S. troops withdraw," said Mr. Chang. He added that Korea can manage somehow with the \$150,000,000 programme, but said any lesser amount will be a serious blow.—United Press.

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Food In Return For Machinery

Buenos Aires, June 27.

Britain and Argentina today signed a new trade pact calling for an exchange of food for British machinery, oil and coal valued at £1,000 million both ways over the next five years.

President Peron, addressing observers at the signing, said: "This agreement has not been directed against anyone, but has been concluded to satisfy our mutual needs."

The British Ambassador, Sir John Balfour, who led the British trade delegates through more than 18 weeks of negotiation, said that the pact is an outstanding example of complementary trade.

The document was signed by Sir John, by the Argentine Foreign Minister, Dr. Juan Braghieri, and by four Ministers of the Argentine National Economic Council.

The ceremony of signing was held under arc lamps in a white room at Government House. In a speech Sir John Balfour expressed regret over the disappearance of the triangular trade pattern of London, Buenos Aires and New York.

This was, he said, an inevitable result of the post-war economic turmoil.

The Argentine President said that the pact contains no hidden clauses or meanings, but represents a purely commercial understanding. Observers assume that he was addressing his remarks to opponents of the pact in Washington when he added: "This agreement is not directed against anyone."

The agreement does not represent a blockade, monopoly or disloyalty.

Other listed items which Britain will send to Argentina are pottery and glassware (£3,200,000) and miscellaneous products (£2,880,000).

The British Government will also lend all the necessary assistance, within the limits of the powers they exercise in such matters, to ensure the supply to Argentina in the first year of 1,800,000 tons of crude oil, 750,000 tons of fuel oil and 250,000 tons of other petroleum products to a total value of £20,000,000 from United Kingdom oil producing companies.

Other Foods
Petroleum product supplies in subsequent years are to be agreed mutually.

The total British exports to Argentina in the first year will thus amount to £21,535,000. Argentina, in the first year, will import 2,500,000 cars and buses worth £2,500,000, tractors worth £3,200,000, and motor cycles and bicycles, with spares, worth £2,000,000.

In addition to meat, which will be covered in a special five-year contract to be negotiated in London, Britain will purchase from the Argentine during the first year 233,100,000 worth of other foods and feeding stuffs, including £20,000,000 worth of corn, £10,000,000 worth of linseed oil, £10,000,000 worth of various raw materials and £800,000 worth of other goods.

With meat supplies valued at £40,000,000, the total value of British imports from Argentina in the first year will be £129,000,000.

Under the payments clause, Argentina will permit without restriction in so far as sterling exchange is available, a remittance of invoices payments, including profits, pensions and other income.

A revaluation guarantee, to be agreed between the Bank of England and the Argentine Central Bank, will apply to Argentina's credit balances, plus or minus the net forward position during the first year, and will cover the balance existing at the end of that year until utilized.

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A minor Consultative Committee, to be set up in Buenos Aires, will be responsible for keeping under review the application of the agreement's provisions.

Both Governments undertake to use their best endeavours to encourage commercial and financial transactions between them, in such a manner as to attain, throughout the period of the agreement, a balance of sterling payments at the highest possible level.

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Writing As A Career

By BETTY BETZ

"I want to be a writer..." decided many young people who think that this particular career is about the next easiest and glamorous to being a movie star.

Well, Betz it might seem glamorous at times but if you talk to a few novelists or news writers, you'll find out an amazing thing: Almost all writers (even the successful ones) find writing very difficult!

The best way to get a start, naturally, is to write for your school magazine, covering the local parties, clubs and activities.

This gives you experience not only in reporting your observations accurately, but also to meeting those gruesome deadlines!

Now, supposing you're bringing home excellent report cards in English and your Mum and Dad think your essays are just wonderful. Ah... that's nice, but if you ever plan to sell a piece of writing, you should have a good literary background as well as ability and ambition.

Study the short stories of famous writers and read, read, read, all of the good old and new literature.

For practice in observation, write short sketches about people and places you know.

The truth is always the easiest to write, and as soon as you get carried away by writing about fictitious people, your stories will be boring to write and boring to read.

Even though it may not sound very relative, the best experience is to practice copywriting for advertisements.

If you can make a pair of ordinary tennis sneakers sound attractive in three lines of copy, then you're on the road to becoming a writer.

In summing up the qualifications of a writing career, you must have a knack for writing, you must have something to say, and you must be able to put your ideas over in a simple manner. And when you're qualified, there's just an added something which is most

important in becoming a successful writer. — and that is to develop a style which is your own.

Now... does it still sound like fun? I hope so!

Speaking personally, even though writing is not easy, it gives me more satisfaction than any other work... that is like right now... after I've finished my column!

Editorial

Many of you will no doubt remember the recent visit of Miss Betty Betz to the Colony. Miss Betz was on a world tour, studying the life and likes of teenagers of various countries with a view to telling about them all in a book.

The Topics have now received this book. And from next week, we will be publishing Miss Betz's articles on the various places she has visited. Her travels began in New York, across the States to San Francisco, via Hollywood. Then she landed at Honolulu, her first stop overseas. Japan, Singapore, Hong Kong, Manila, Bangkok, India and so on to the countries in Europe, England and back again to New York. We will be publishing an article each week on each place Miss Betz visited, geographically round the world.

As a form of introduction, today's article by Betty Betz may perhaps be suitable, as many of our teen age friends have expressed their desire to becoming journalists, novelists or writers of some kind.

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Platter Chatter

The records used for last Friday's Teen Time were:—
Theme Song: South Rampart Street on Parade by the RAF Band.

Woody Woodpecker: Danny Keyes and the Andrews Sisters. On a Slow Boat to China: Kay Kyser. All the Cats Join In: Benny Goodman, Buttons and Bows: Dinah Shore. Dickey Bird Song: Freddy Martin. Pass That Peacepipe: Bing Crosby. Opus No. 1: Tommy Dorsey. Cornbelt Symphony: Jack Smith. Love Somebody: Doris Day and Buddy Clark.

No general agreement has yet been reached on a theme song but the final choice has been narrowed down between two tunes: South Rampart Street on Parade or All the Cats Join In.

Miss Norma Stevens has been appointed permanent M.C. and I am sure we have no one better fitted for the post.

It is the aim of Teen Time to bring you something new or unusual every week beside presenting your favourite tunes.

This week, for example, we have a very unusual disc called Jungle Fantasy by Ray Morales, the world's most unique flutist. Morales had developed tone and technique which is remarkable.

Another record which I believe you have not heard is Louis Armstrong's Blues in the South. It is one of the finest examples of blues singing by "Satchmo".

Turn on your Rediffusion at nine p.m. on Friday for "Teen Time". "Something Old and Something New, Something Borrowed and Something Blue" and you will hear:—

Empress Waltz: Bing Crosby. Jungle Fantasy: Ray Morales. Bumble Boogie: Freddy Martin and/or Jack Pina. Blues in the Night: Dinah Shore. When Your Hair Has Turned to Silver: Perry Como. I Never Had A Dream Come True: Ink Spots. Moon Love: Glenn Miller (Ray Eberle vocal). Blues in the South: Louis Armstrong.

Time permitting we will play A Sutra on a Mozart Opera by Victor Borge.

Our Request Programme is arranged for Friday week but as time is very limited, only the first nine requests received will be played. Please address your requests to TEEN TIME care of Rediffusion.

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Personality TIT BITS

Our personality this week is 17-year-old Ken Baker, a teen ager who plays lawn bowls.

Ken was born in Bournemouth, England, and has his birthday on March 24. He lived all his life in England until coming out to the Colony in 1947.

Ken went to school here at the King George V School, leaving at Christmas last year. He is now taking a private course in structural engineering.

His major sport is football. Ken plays a good game of soccer, a fact shown when he turned up regularly for the Hong Kong Football Club's second team during the past season. Ken will be playing for the Club's First XI when the soccer season begins again.

Ken's other sports include tennis, cricket and swimming; his other pastimes: reading adventure stories, jazz music and stamp collecting.



KEN BAKER

For the keen Topics reader who had been constantly questioning for more space in this column, here is good news: The Topics is expanding.

As from the next issue, Teen Age Topics will be found on page 11 of the "China Mail," where we will be having not only more space but also a better and more balanced layout.

The main idea of the "stretch" is for you teen agers to have more voice and opinion in the page. So, when you have anything to report about your own sets, whether it be a party or a group, send it in and let's know about it.

Rediffusion's Teen Time programme is getting better each week thanks to the assistance of the teen agers themselves. The "WREN," who is helping the team out with selections of programs and of course, to Rediffusion.

The "WREN" reports in his column today that Norma Stevens will be the permanent emcee for TEEN TIME. We'll be listening in, Norma!

Will those who wish to take part in the Teen Age programme please send in your name by address to us, advising also, how we may contact you?—Always glad to hear new voices, you know!

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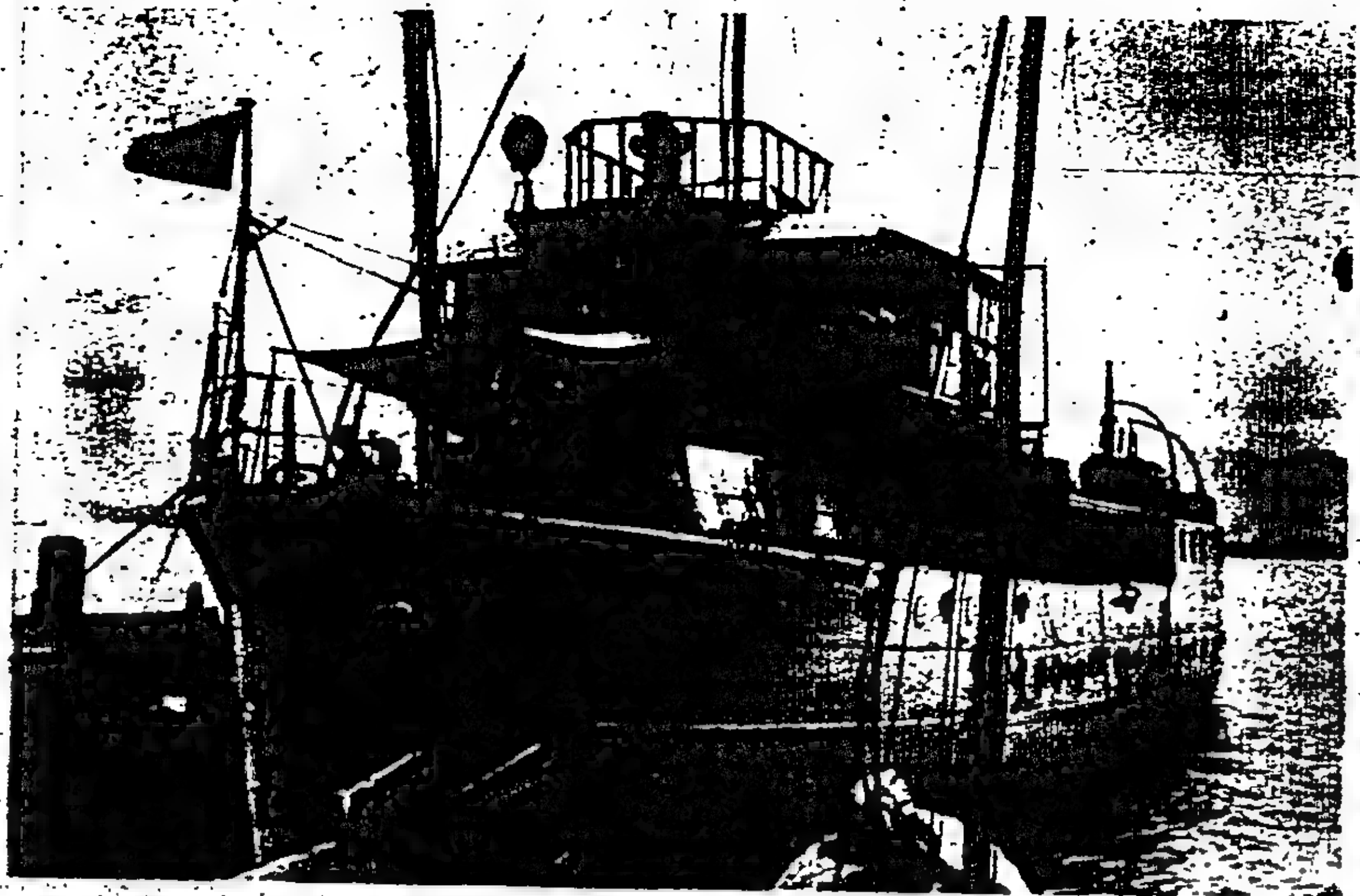
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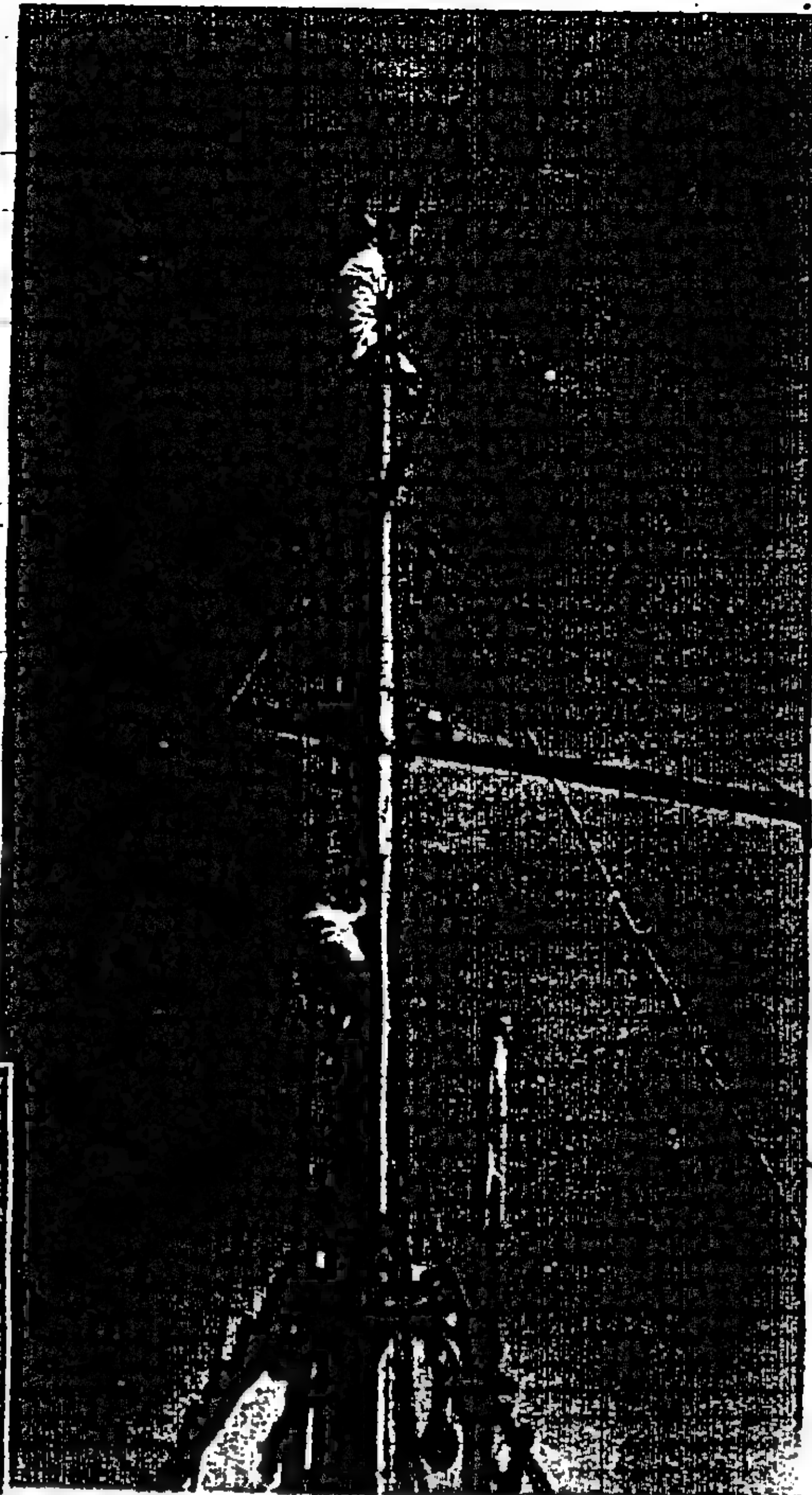
The rotation of a ship's engine is the heart-beat of Hong Kong's trade. Above, two ocean vessels are seen tied up at Kowloon Wharf, unloading cargo and passengers from the far corners of the earth. Below, ships are getting an overhaul at Taikeo Dockyards. ("China Mail" photo)





The Wen Hsing, Chinese owned river vessel, which recently came under fire by pirates near Ma Ning. ("China Mail" photo)

Doing his daily exercise—climbing a 35-foot high mast of the ss. Tai Po Shan—is five-year-old Harry, son of the ship's master, Captain Durup. ("China Mail" photo)



Mr. and Mrs. H. Bander after their recent marriage at St. Margaret's Church. ("Ming Yuen" photo)

The happy couple cutting their wedding cake are Mr. and Mrs. L. M. Remedios. ("China Mail" photo)



Mr. and Mrs. L. M. Remedios shown after their wedding at Rosary Church last week. ("China Mail" photo)





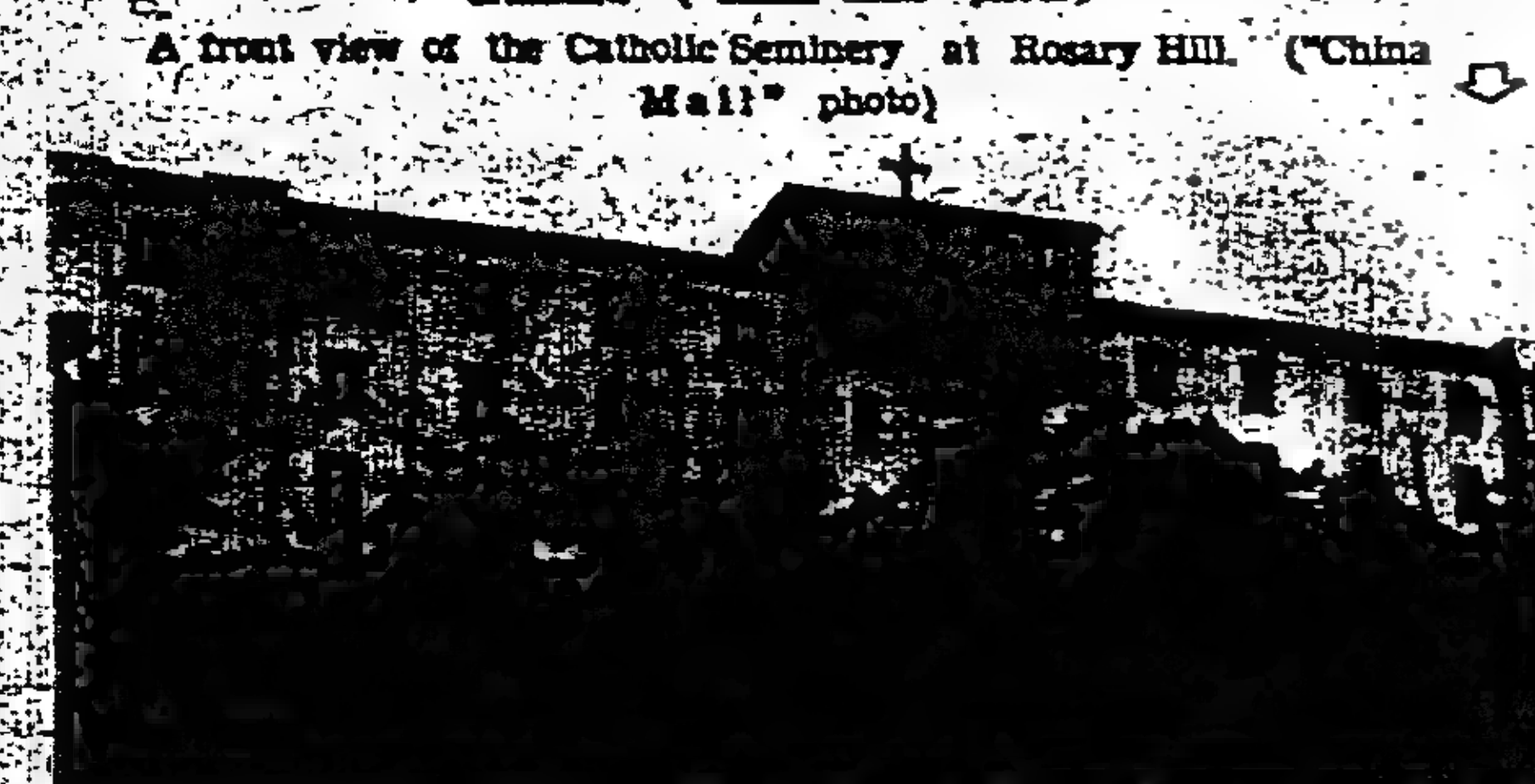
The Very Reverend A. Cooney, SJ, is shown addressing guests at the St. Luis College Past Students Association dinner, held recently at the Hong Kong Hotel. ("China Mail" photo)



Alumni of the St. Luis College and their friends at the recent dinner given by the school's Past Students Association. ("China Mail" photo)



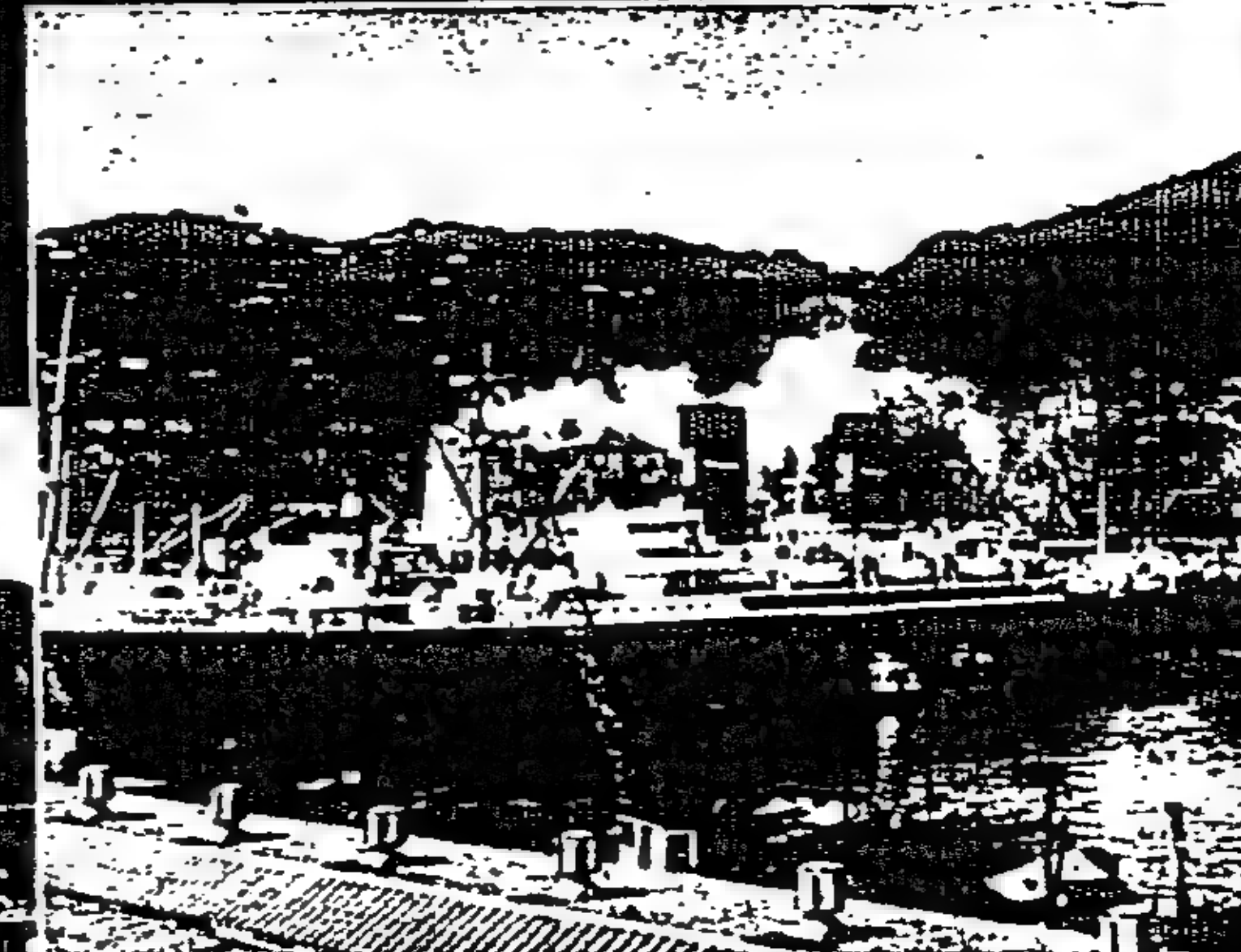
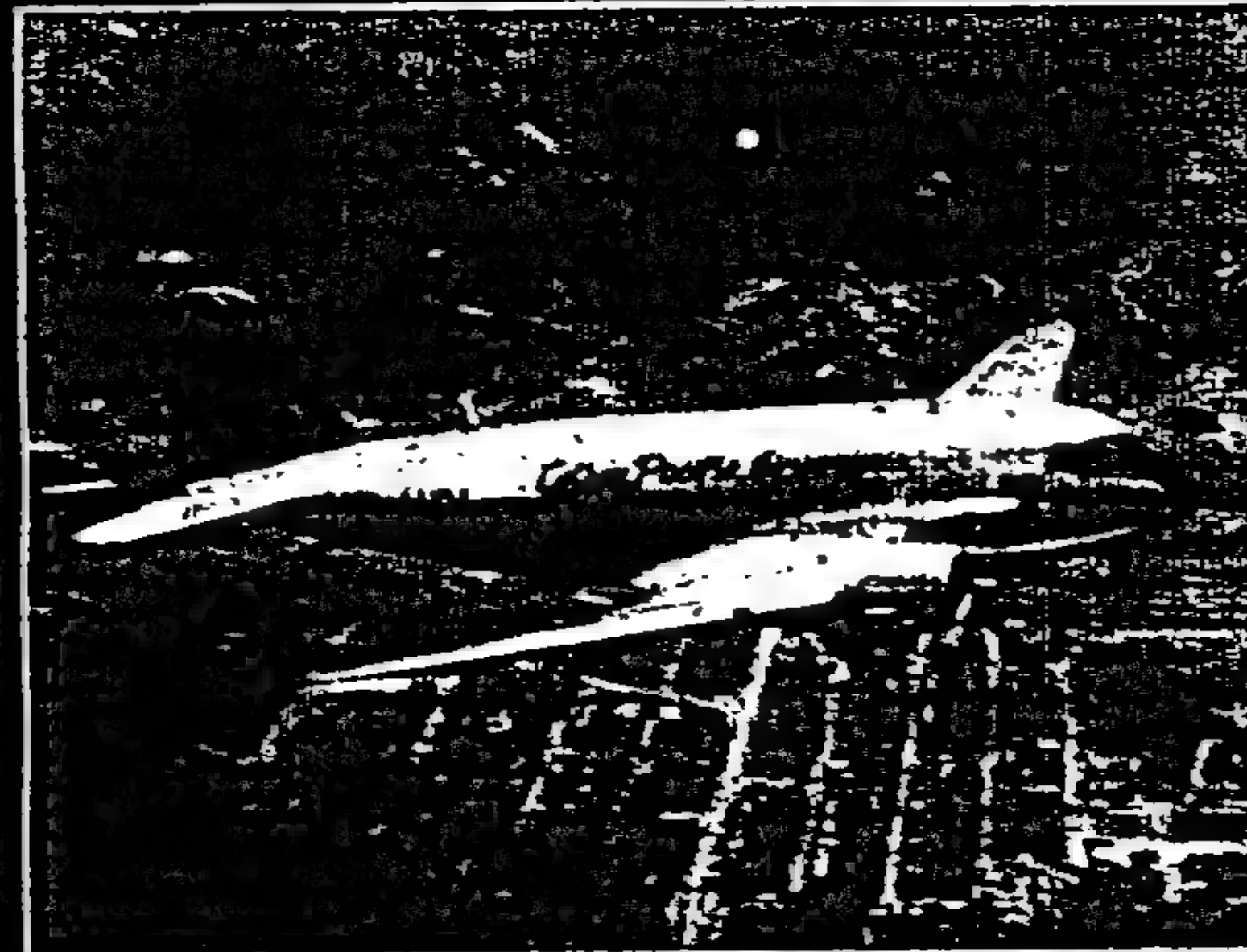
Mr. S. S. Ross, Organisation and Methods Adviser (right) and his assistant, M. C. G. F. Melmoth, at recent Press conference at which they gave suggestions for streamlining the Hong Kong Government. ("China Mail" photo)



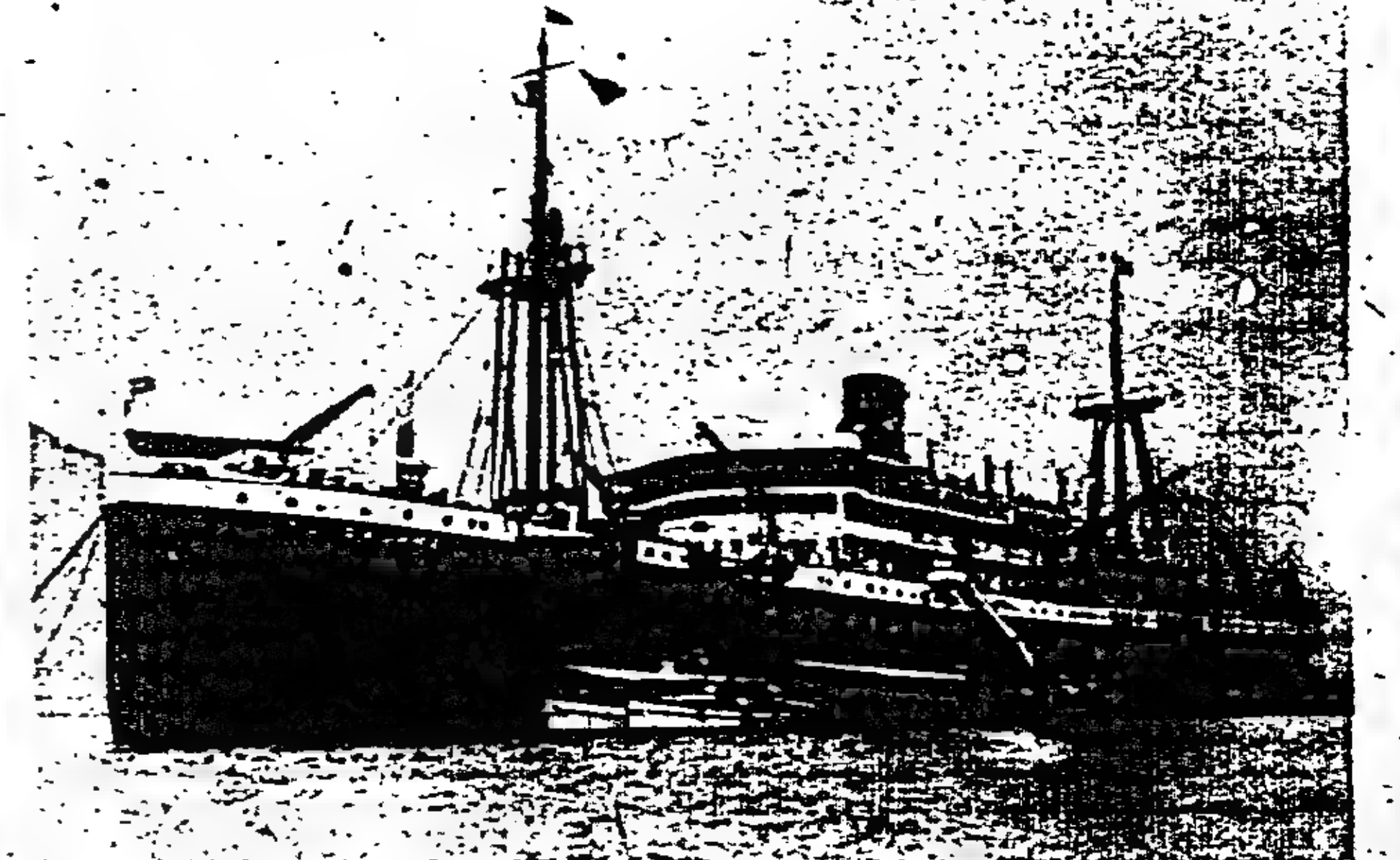
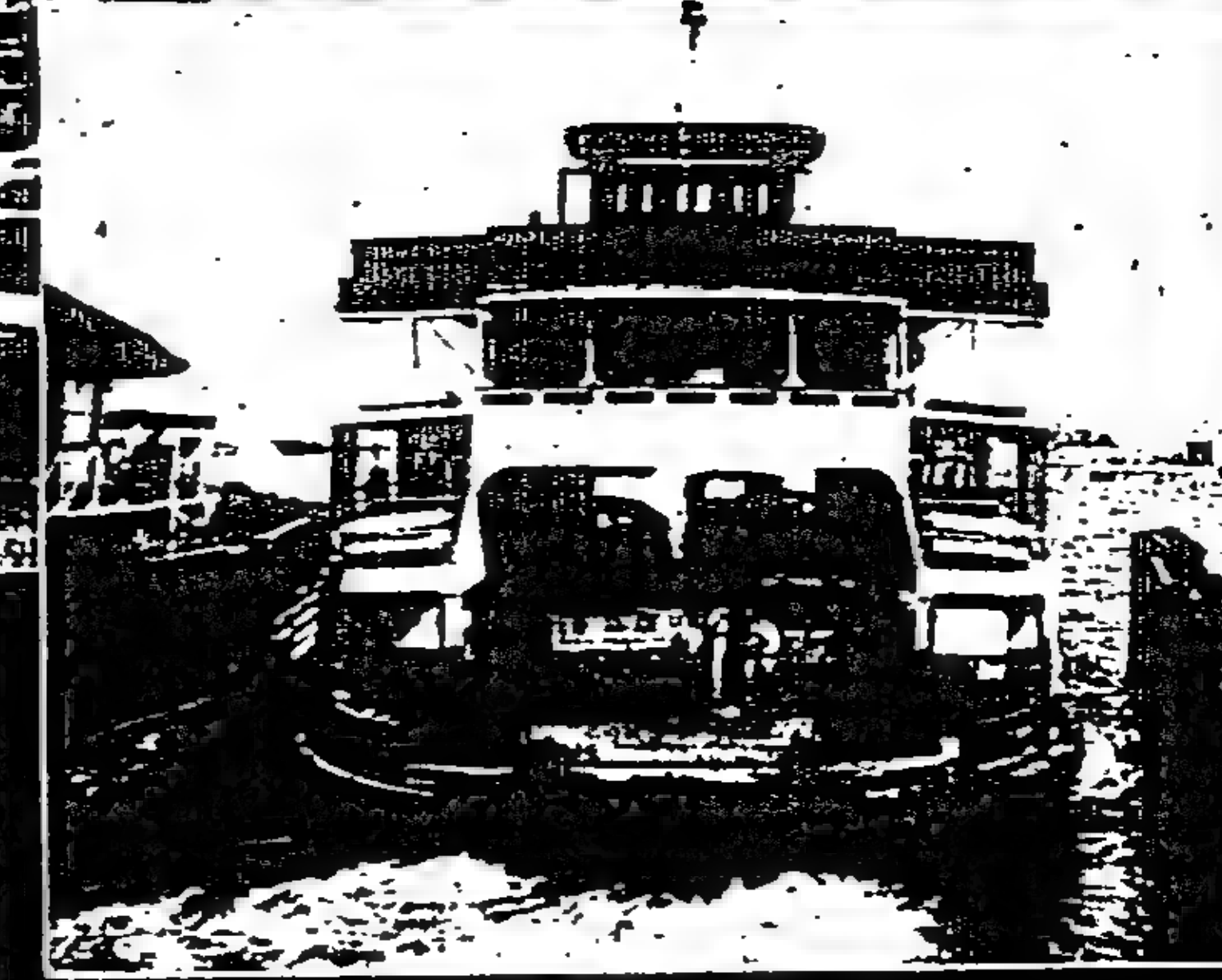
A front view of the Catholic Seminary at Rosary Hill. ("China Mail" photo)

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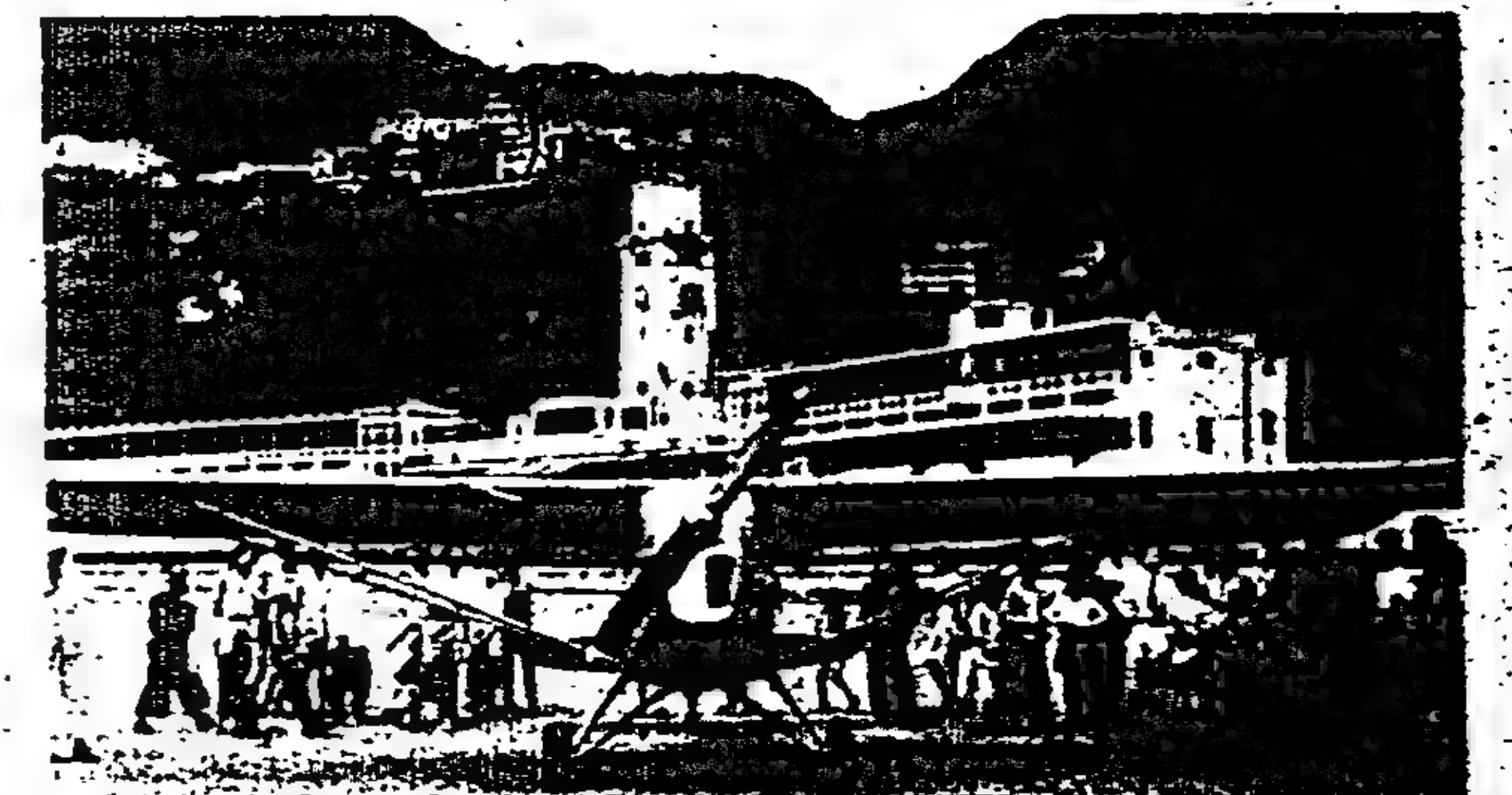
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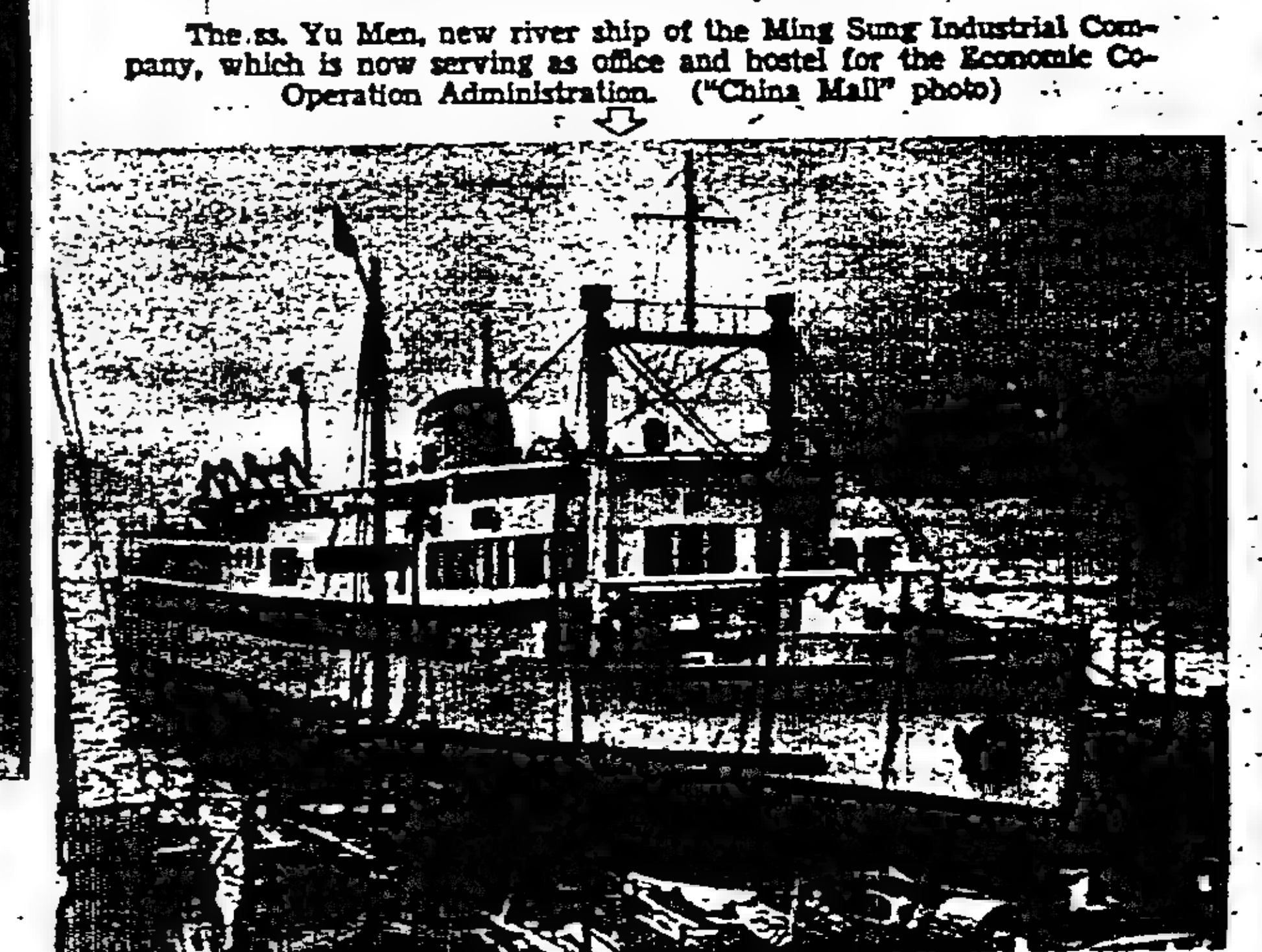
The ss. Tjisadane, which cancelled her trip to Shanghai after learning of the bombing in the Yangtze of the British vessel Anchises. ("China Mail" photo)



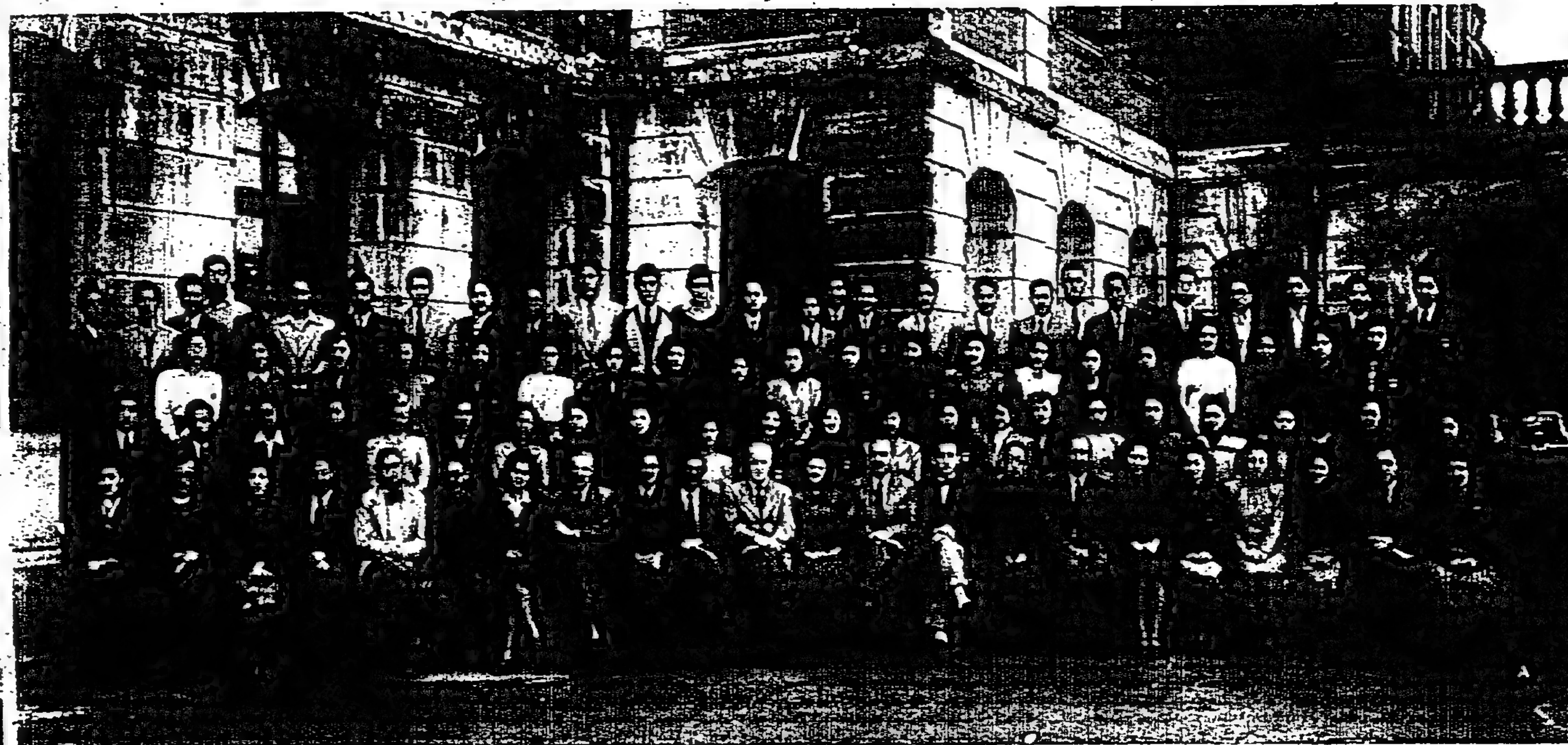
An RAF Auster reconnaissance plane which tried out an emergency landing on the Race Course last week. ("China Mail" photo)



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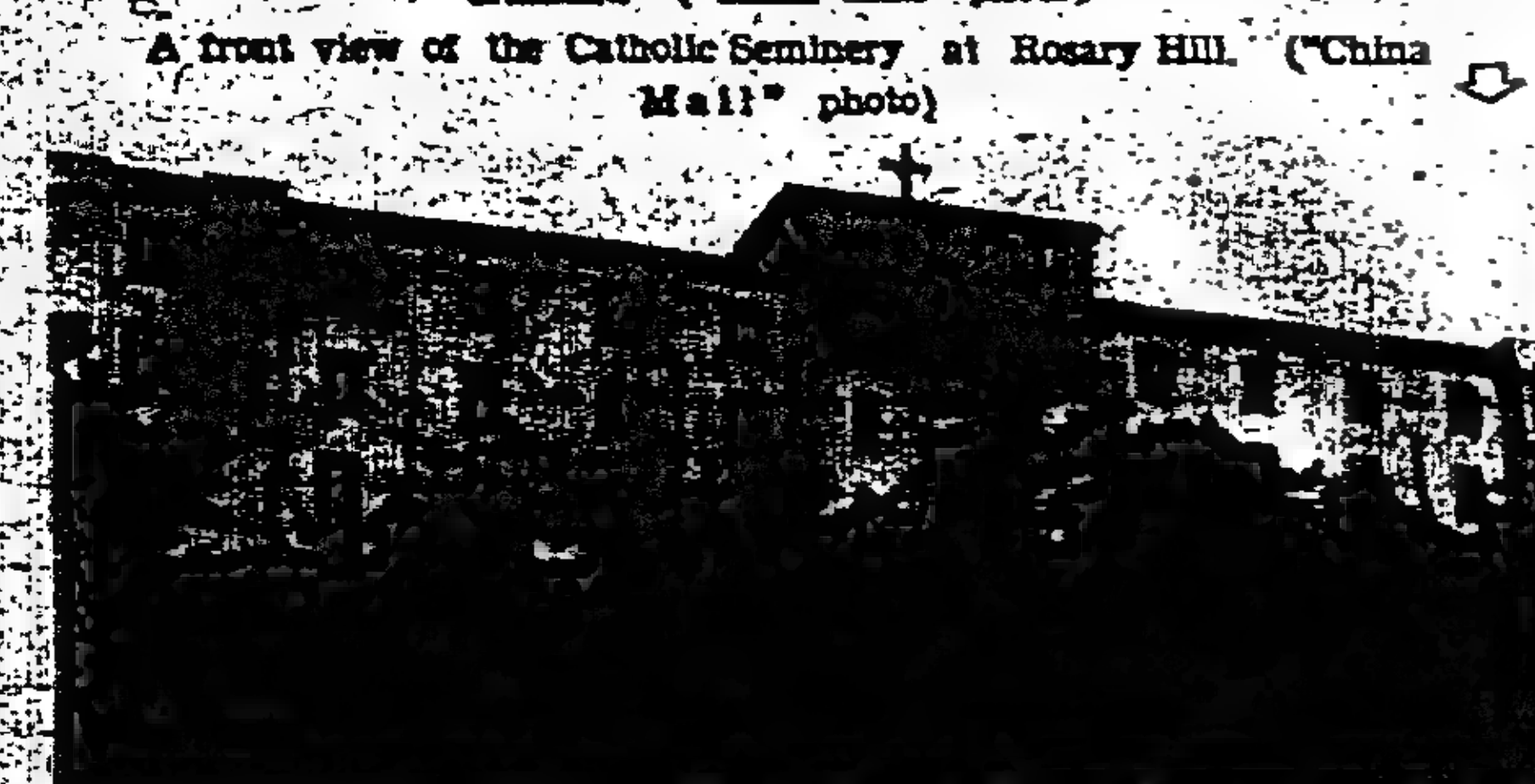
The Very Reverend A. Cooney, SJ, is shown addressing guests at the St. Louis College Past Students Association dinner, held recently at the Hong Kong Hotel. ("China Mail" photo)



Alumni of the St. Louis College and their friends at the recent dinner given by the school's Past Students Association. ("China Mail" photo)



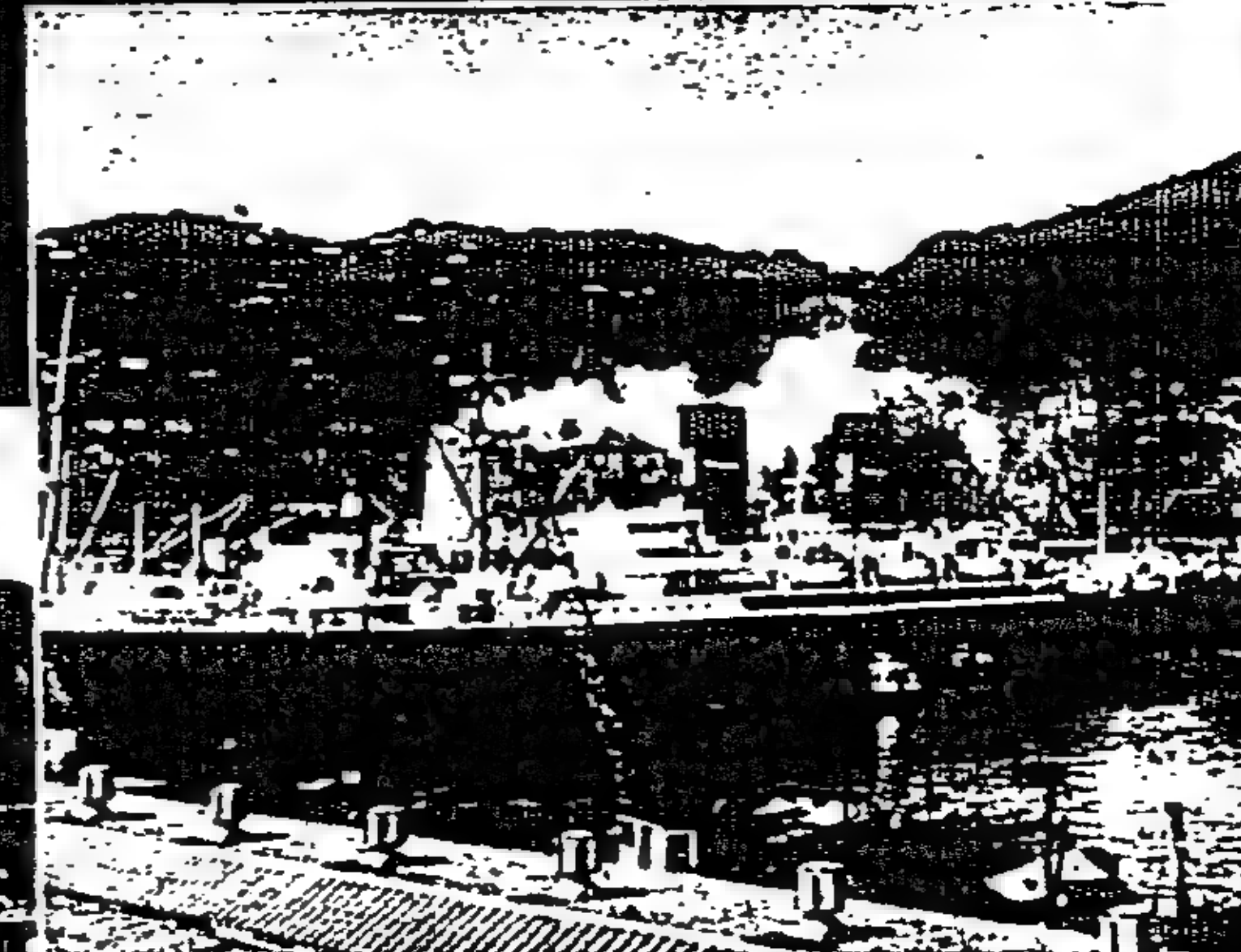
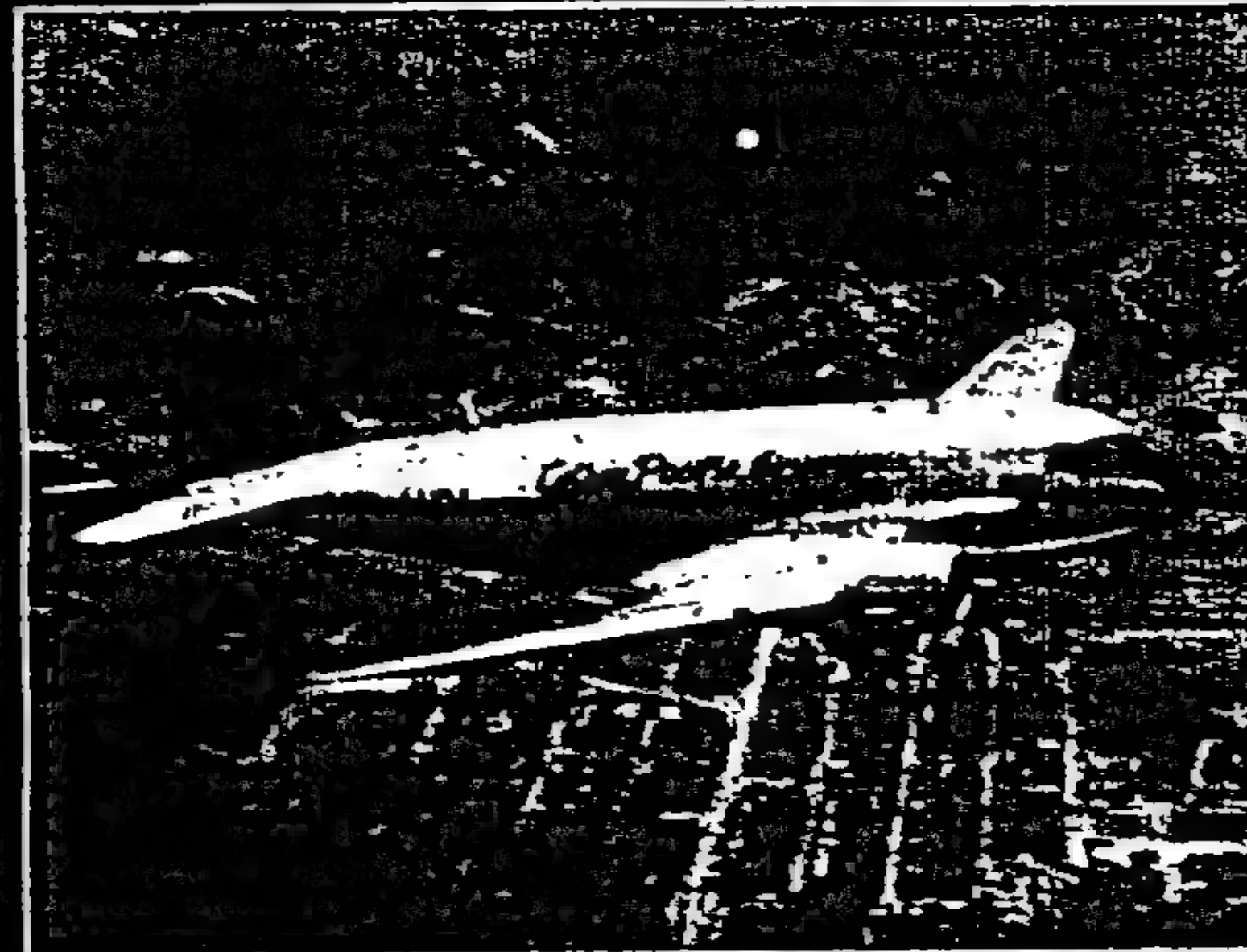
Mr. S. S. Ross, Organisation and Methods Adviser (right) and his assistant, M. C. G. F. Melmoth, at recent Press conference at which they gave suggestions for streamlining the Hong Kong Government. ("China Mail" photo)



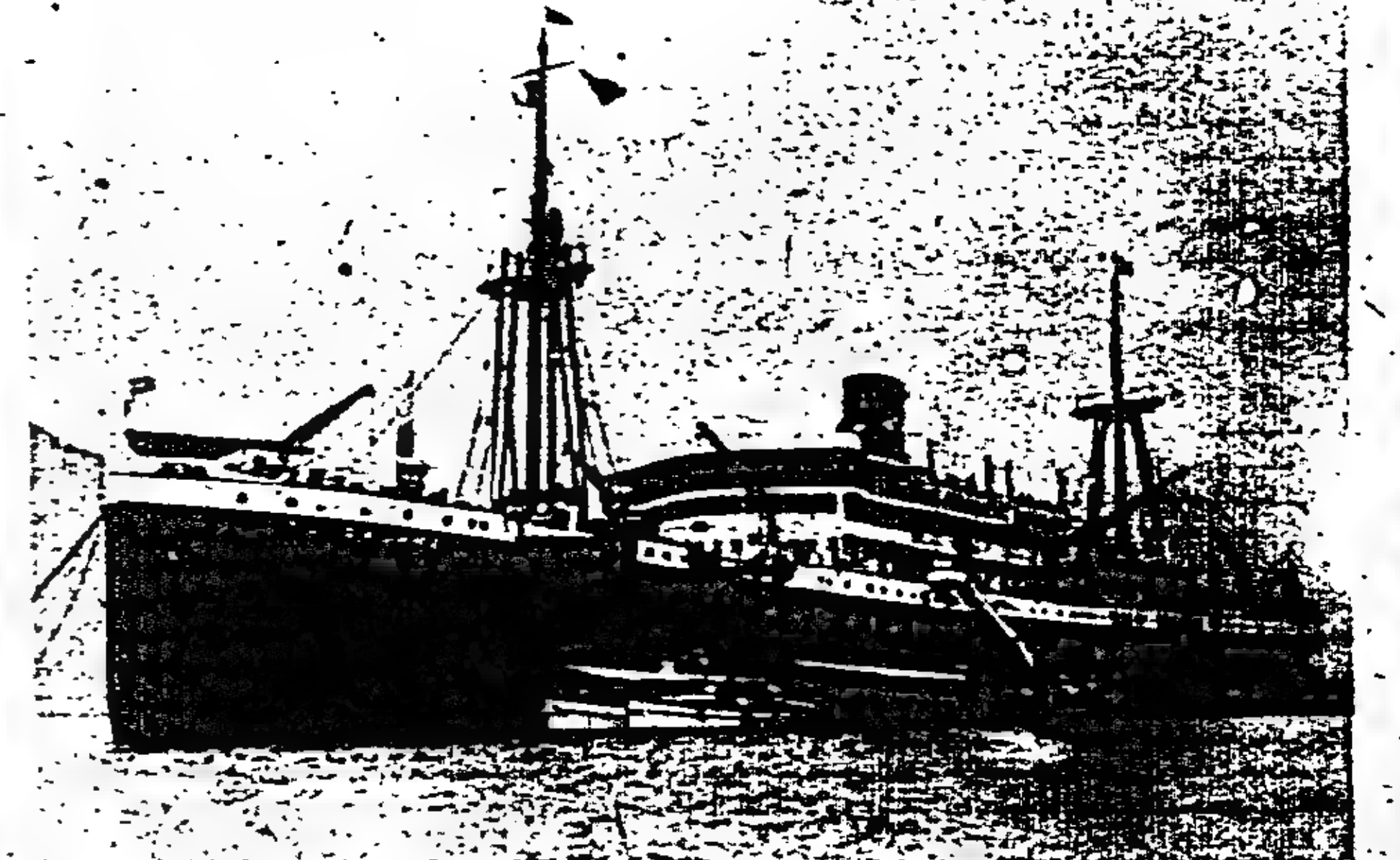
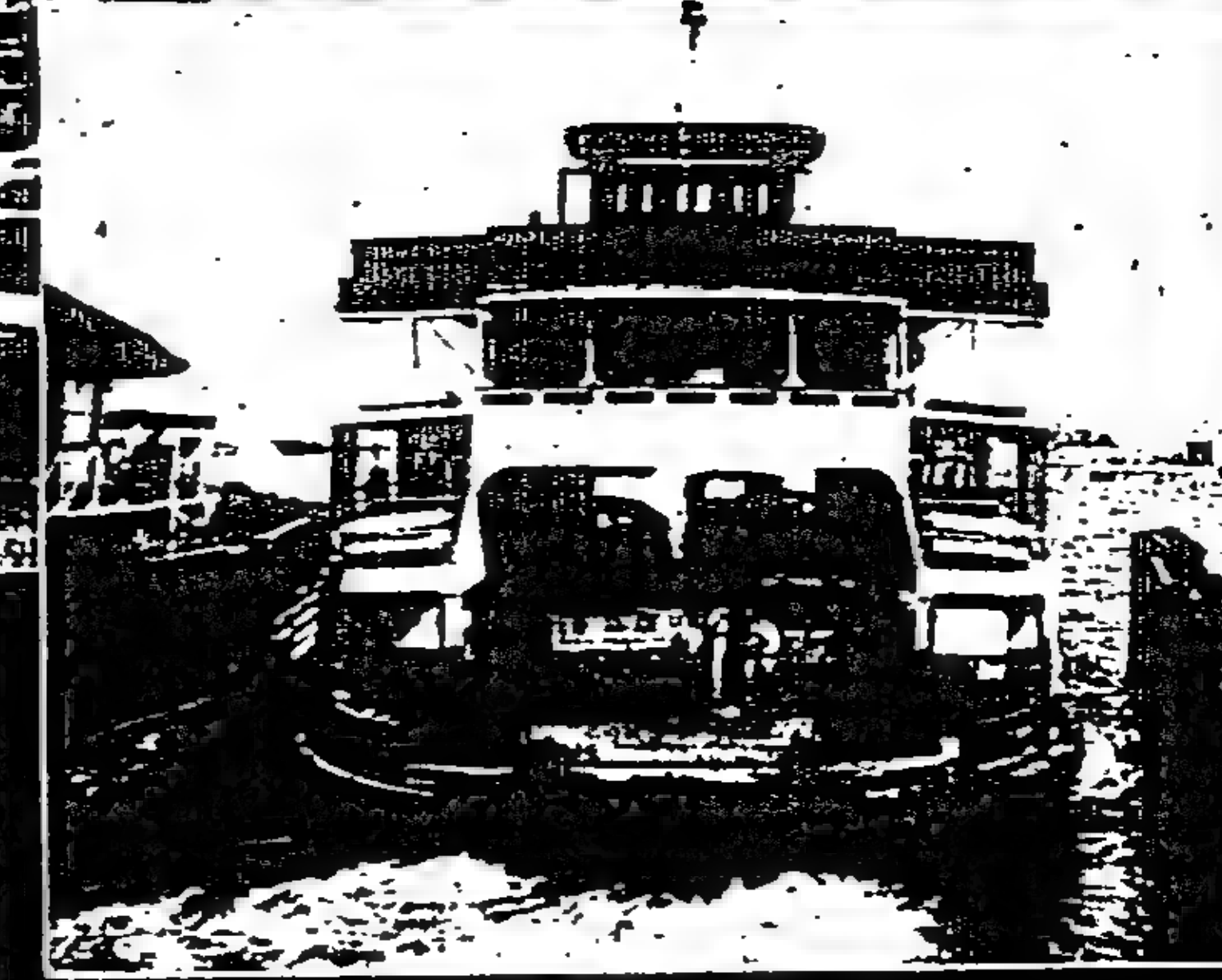
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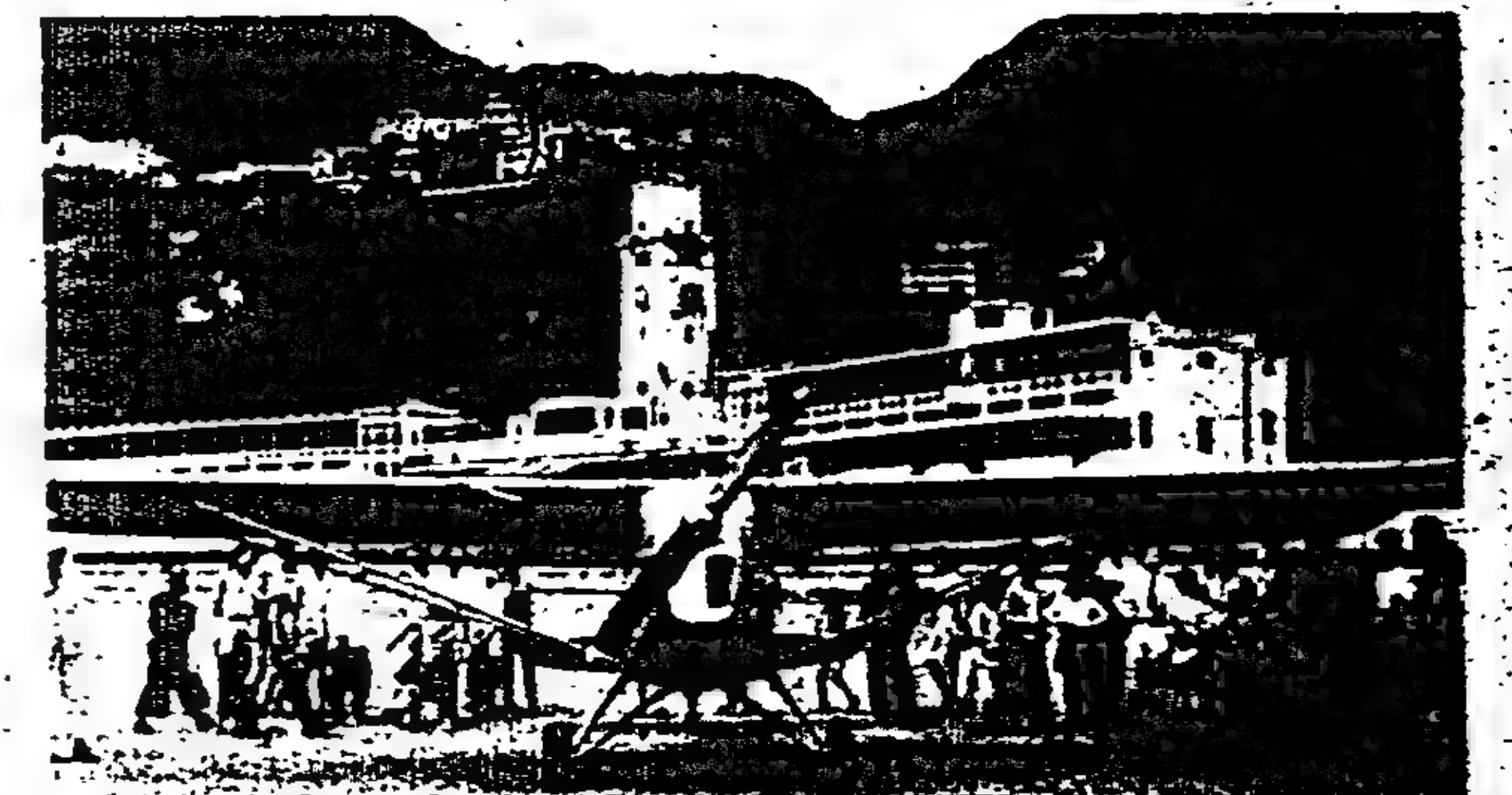
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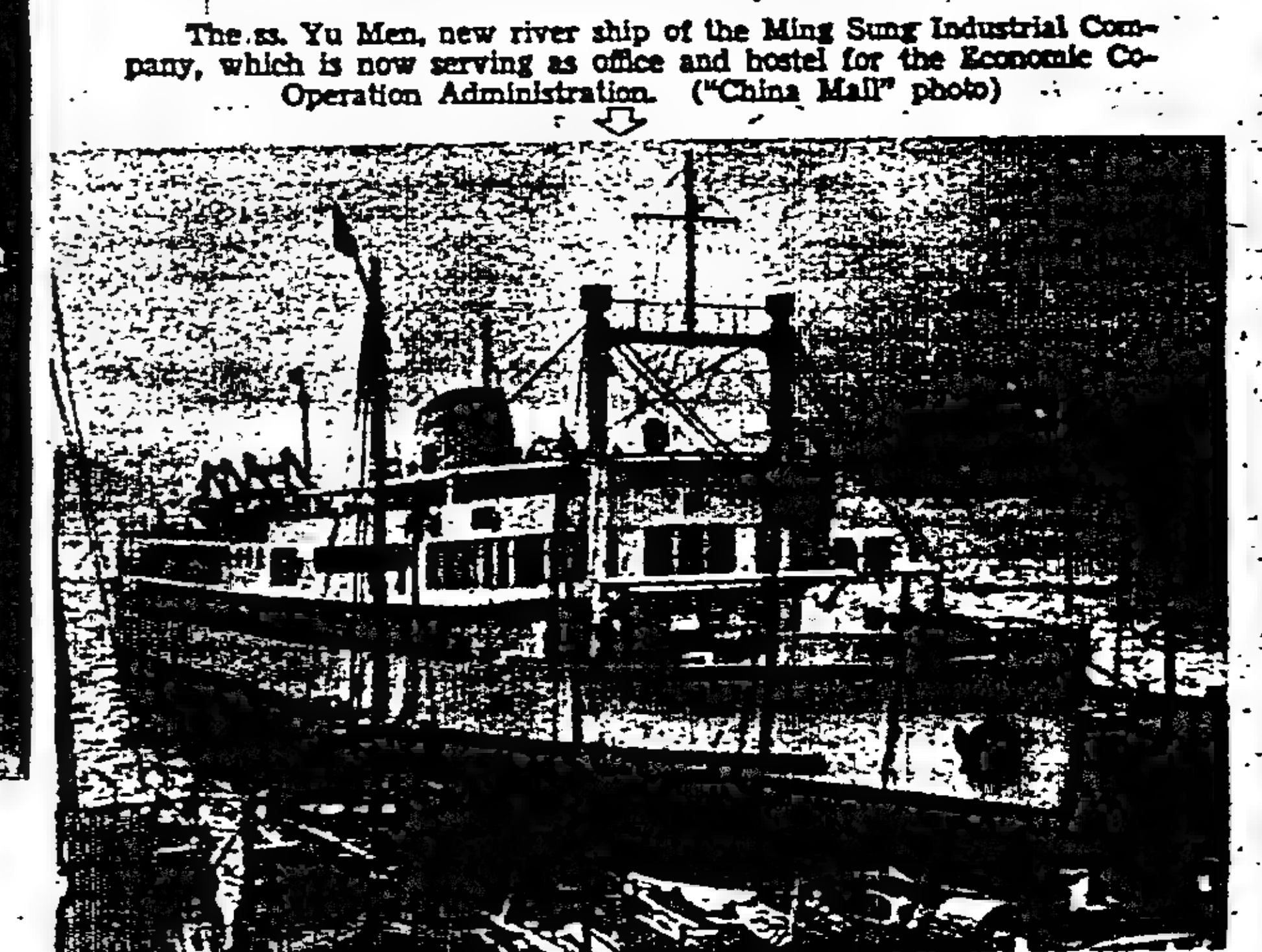
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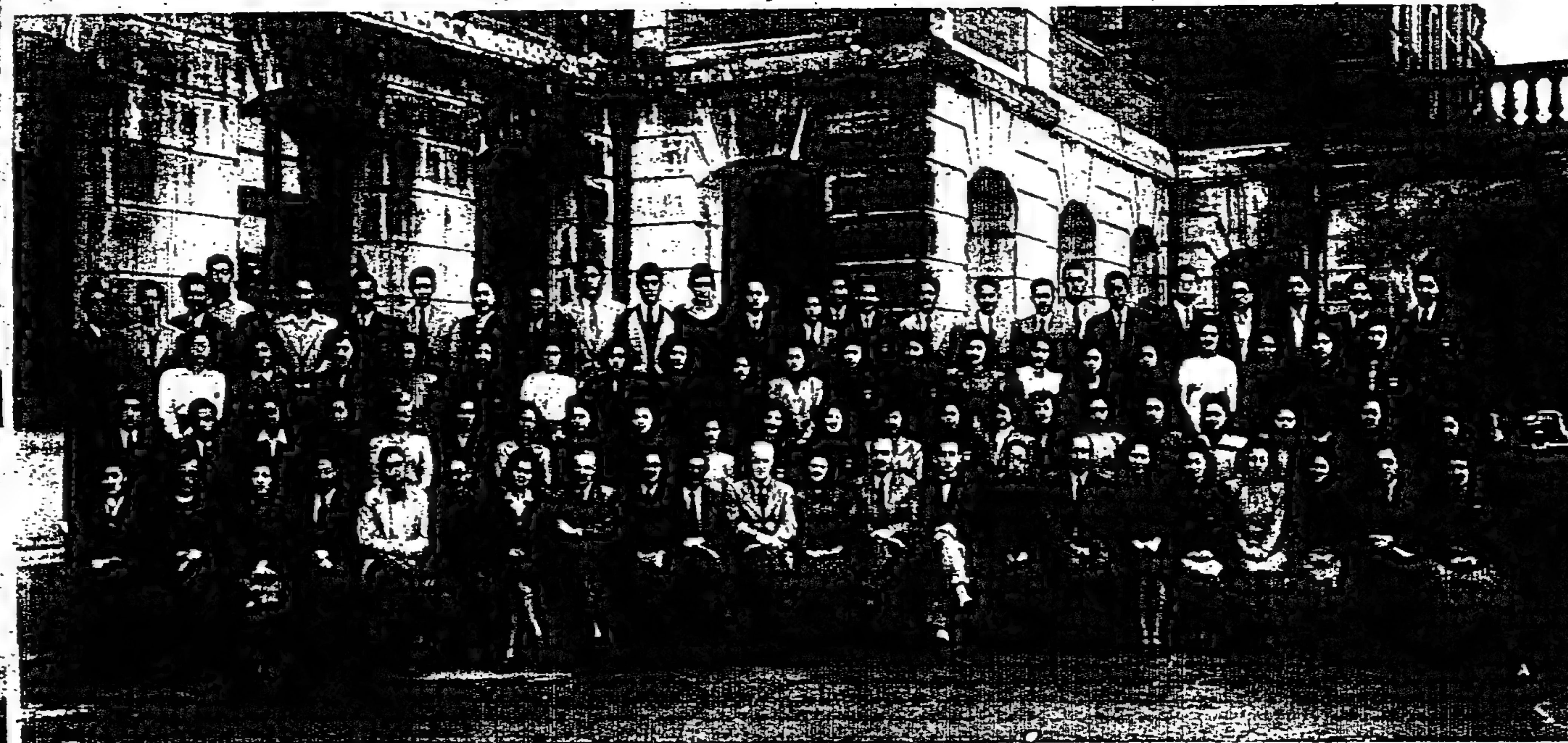
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Search For Korean Legislators

Seoul, June 28.

The South Korean police are hunting for two more National Assemblymen accused of endangering national security, it was learned today. This search followed last week's arrests of seven legislators, including one of two presidents of the National Assembly, on the same charges.

Six of the seven assemblymen arrested previously had presented a petition to the United Nations Commission on Korea calling for removal of both the American and Soviet military missions from South and North Korea.

Three National Assembly members were arrested several weeks earlier on the same charges. Two of the latest Assemblymen to be charged with endangering national security are Suh Yong-kil and Shin Sang-kyun. It is understood formal warrants for their arrests had been issued by the Attorney-General's office.

Anti-Govt
Both these Assemblymen were outspoken members of the anti-administration "Young Progressives" group in the National Assembly. Most of the Assemblymen arrested last week also were members of this group, which has been sharply critical of President Syngman Rhee's policy.

If these two legislators are apprehended, it will bring to a total of 12 legislators who have been placed under arrest. The National Assembly has 200 members. Meanwhile, Major-General Chae Byung-duk, chief of the General Staff of the South Korean army, strongly stated the army was in no way connected with last Sunday's assassination of the aged Korean leader, Mr. Kim Koo. The 73-year-old political leader was shot by a field artillery lieutenant.

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Freedom Frightens Five Little Girls

By MCKENZIE PORTER

The 15-roomed house with its red roof, yellow brick walls and granite basement cost £12,000 sterling. It stands on a rocky acre surrounded by barbed-wire, 10 feet high.

This is the prison in which the Dionne Quintuplets celebrated their 16th anniversary last month. Just across the road stands a mouldering shack in which all five girls first saw the light on May 28, 1934—and drew the eyes of the world to the village of Callander, nestling among the lakes and forests of Northern Ontario.

A parking space for 100 cars is overgrown with weeds. Nearby is another building of brown logs with a green roof. It was through this that millions of tourists filed to see the frail, mowling babes whose simultaneous arrival made headlines from Medicine Hat in Alberta to Newsworld in Timbuctoo.

Carnival Goes
Today this last building has been stripped of its crowd-control barriers, glass protective screens and admission price placards behind which the human exhibits played.

Instead it contains desks and a blackboard and has been renamed Villa Notre Dame. Sister Superior of the Almes des Anges, Sister Madeleine du Precieux Sang and other nuns have laboured here for five years to fill the gap in the Quins' education caused by their early life as freaks in a carnival which threw up tents around the Dionne dwelling two days after they were born.

What sort of a job the good Sisters of Assumption have made of Yvonne, Cecile, Annette, Emile and Marie is not widely known, for since Olivia Dionne, and his wife Elzire, regained the custody of their girls through an act of the Ontario Parliament in 1944, the fabulous five have been more closely cloistered than Moslem women in purdah.

When Papa Dionne ejected the last trapeze artist, souvenir pamphlet of the through train service between Peiping and Shanghai, on July 1, according to Chinese reports.

Reputable squads are said to have completed their task today of putting the Dionne girls on the train for the Tientsin-Pukow railway—back into shape after Nationalist troops had demolished it on January 16, upon evacuating Peking.

A published Chinese report said that for a start, only one train will leave Peiping and Shanghai every five days—Reuters.

Occasionally, father or mother takes one of the Quins out and generally they pass unnoticed.

From Rags To Riches

While the whole family hated the ballyho which attended the Quins' early life they are not unthankful for the fact that this very factor raised them from poverty to riches.

By endorsing advertisements, charging visitors to peep at them, and getting copyright fees for published photographs, the Quins raised for themselves an estate worth around £250,000. The fund is now administered by the Church, under safeguards specified by the Act of Parliament.

Papa Dionne is rebuked if he spends too much. He would like a landscape garden in the bleak grounds of the home, but does not think it fair to ask for the £25,000 which it would cost.

Each girl will come into a fifth share of the fortune when she is eighteen.

What they will do when they get their money and freedom is awaited in Canada with high anxiety.

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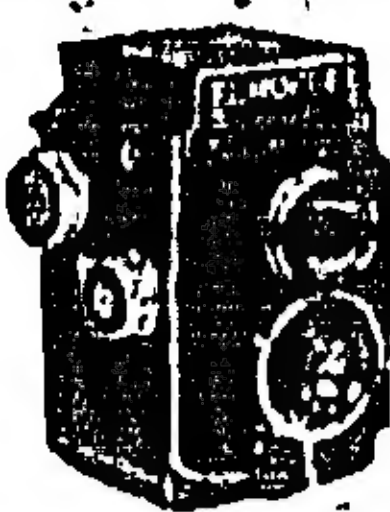
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ENGLAND SCORE 40 FOR NONE; DRAW INEVITABLE

London, June 28.

At lunch today, England, in their second innings had scored 40 runs for no wickets after dismissing New Zealand for 484.

The Lords ground was again well packed today for the final day's play in the second Test between England and New Zealand, despite the fact that a draw seemed inevitable.

The heat-wave weather continued, and the rock-hard pitch, which was beginning to show signs of being affected by the intense sun, was expected to help the bowlers. New Zealand was 59 ahead with three wickets in hand when play was resumed.

Donnelly resumed his innings in an aggressive mood and helped by his boundaries, he became the highest scorer for New Zealand in Test matches. The previous post was 130 by C.S. Doncaster in Wellington during the MCC tour of 1929/30.

Donnelly's scoring stroke, a glorious straight drive for four off Hollies, enabled him to beat Walter Hammond's 140 against New Zealand at Lords in 1937—the highest score for England in the series between the two countries.

New Zealand collected 30 runs in the first 10 minutes. The 400 went up in seven hours and Donnelly completed 100 in four hours and 50 minutes. Donnelly was at his brilliant best, fours flowed from his bat in rapid succession, his perfect timing sending the ball flashing past the helpless fieldsmen.

Burt Skies Catch

Burt, trying to follow his partner, skied a catch to Edrich, at first slip, at 430. The eighth wicket stand had put on 85 runs in 65 minutes.

Cave, after making six of the 26 runs added for the sixth wicket, gave an easy return catch to the left-arm slow bowler, Young. Cawle, last man in, remained with Donnelly while New Zealand past their previous highest score in Test cricket. That was 400 against England at Lords in 1931.

Donnelly completed a faultless 200, hit another four, was dropped at long-on and hit a catch to mid-off, all in the same over.

When Hutton caught him, the innings closed at 484, giving New Zealand a lead of 171 with just under five hours left for play. Donnelly's innings lasted five hours and 55 minutes and contained 26 fours.

With Hutton in a pleasing form and Robertson looking for runs, England scored 30 runs in half an hour. They experienced little

difficulty and carried their total to 40 without loss in 50 minutes before lunch.

Four hours remained for play, and England needed another 131 to save an innings defeat.

Scores:
England, 1st innings 112 (for 9 declared)
New Zealand First Innings
Sutcliffe, c Compton, b Glad- 87
win 42
Scott, c Edrich, b Compton 21
Hadlee, c Robertson, b Hollies 4
Wallace, c Evans, b Hollies 2
Donnell, c Hutton, b Young 206
Smith, b Hollies 25
Rabone, b Hollies 25
Mooney, c Watkins, b Young 43
Burt, c Edrich, b Hollies 23
Cave, c and b Young 0
Cawle, not out 21
Extras 23
Total 481

England Second Innings
Hutton, not out 18
Robertson, not out 21
Extras 2
Total (for no wks) 40

Monday's Play

New Zealand, for whom the former Oxford Blue left hander, Martin Donnelly, nowadays a member of Warwickshire's County side, scored a century, gained first innings lead on the second day.

With the close of play total at 372, he had some anxious moments, particularly against his County team mate, Eric Hollies, but took no chances and patiently waited for the right ball. Reaching 50 in 100 minutes and 100 in three and a half hours.

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the opening partnership of 89 in 67 minutes. A brilliant player, particularly on the leg side, Sutcliffe found gaps in a keen well-placed field to reach 50 out of 75 in 95 minutes. Altogether he hit nine fours.

Scott played patiently for 42 and Walter Hadlee, the New Zealand captain, showed aggression in his 43.

Much of the interest to the capacity crowd of 31,000 was held by the intriguing tussle between Eric Hollies and the batsmen. After an indifferent start which caused 28 runs to come in his first five overs, the Warwickshire spinner, without much help from the pitch, toiled for four and a half hours in the heat. His clever fighting and variation of pace earned him the fine figures of 49 overs, 18 maidens, 90 runs and four wickets.

Patchy Fielding

England's fielding was brilliant in patches. Compton, who is usually reliable, missed Smith off Bailey before he had scored and two chances of run outs were lost through wild returns.

In Bailey's first over after lunch Smith, who was slashing or cutting every ball received, might have been out before he scored, but he was dropped by Compton in the slips. Smith did not let this escape slow him down and he was very severe on Bailey and Edrich when they pitched a shade short on the off-pitch. Hollies remained at one end while the pace men took the other, but it was Hollies who claimed the next wicket by clean bowling Smith at 167.

When Rabone joined Donnelly the scoring rate slowed down considerably and the innings had lasted three hours 20 minutes when Donnelly sent up the second 100, he having then batted for 80 minutes for 32.

When Bailey took the new ball at 214 he began with a wide, as did Gladwin at the other end. Donnelly collected two boundaries in those two overs, the second of them giving him his 50, out of 99 in 105 minutes.

Donnelly and Rabone continued, to defy the bowling as they neared the 250 mark, 15 minutes before the tea break.

Donnelly attempted no fireworks, but whenever a hittable ball came along he was sure in his timing and accurate in his placing.

Gladwin opened with a maiden over after tea and then Hollies at the other end clean bowled Rabone with his first delivery. Donnelly survived an appeal for a catch at the wicket and was not now so sure of his timing.

Chance Lost
With Mooney as his partner he saw the 300 appear.

This pair saw the England total passed with four wickets still standing. Donnelly reached his century after batting three and a half hours, but he had a narrow escape six runs later.

Both batsmen were at the same end, but a poor return by Robertson lost England a great chance.

Mooney should have been caught when seven, but Watkins missed the opportunity—a surprise from a usually excellent fielder at forward short leg. With the total at 351 and Mooney 33, Watkins made no mistake with another chance and Mooney returned to the pavilion.

For the last 25 minutes T.B. Burt joined Donnelly and they raised the total to 372 before stumps were drawn—Reuter.

Week-End Softball, Baseball

The diamond will come into its own this week-end when three games of softball and baseball will be played at Happy Valley, with two local squads taking on the American sailors from USS Naval vessels in the harbour.

On Saturday at 2 p.m. El Cumbanchero vs USS Isabel (Baseball). Sunday 10.30 a.m. Overseas vs USS Gardiner Bay (Softball). 11.30 a.m. EL Cumbanchero vs USS Isabel (Softball).

The sailors have been seen in action in the past week when the two local teams engaged the American sailors in a number of softball and baseball games.

The El Cumbanchero is a squad picked from the local players in the softball league. They include Dave Leonard, H. Khan, Ingmar Eriksen, Benny Omar and the tricky twirler, Blas Doope, who returned to the diamond and had 'Yanks' swinging to the strike.

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J. Drobny of Czechoslovakia, one of the last four in the Men's Singles Championship at Wimbledon.—(AP Photo).

Bromwich Beats Title Holder At Wimbledon

Wimbledon, June 27.

After four terrific matches, each of which won the full five sets, the last four in the Men's Singles of the Wimbledon Championships are Jaroslav Drobny, Czechoslovakia, John Bromwich, Australia, Eric Sturgess, South Africa, and Ted Schroeder, United States.

Drobny meets Bromwich and Sturgess meets Schroeder in Wednesday's semi-finals. Robert Falkenburg, holder of the title, went down to Bromwich, whom he beat in the final last year, the Australian gaining his revenge with a score of 3-6, 9-11, 6-0, 6-0, 6-4.

Schroeder, favourite to win the title before the championships opened, had the narrowest escape, surviving two match points before beating the Australian, Frank Sedgman 3-6, 6-3, 6-2, 9-7.

Geoff Brown, the unseeded Australian who put out the American champion, Gonzalez, on Saturday was himself beaten today by the giant Czech left-hander, Drobny, 2-6, 7-5, 1-6, 6-2, 6-4.

Frank Parker, of the United States, recent winner of the French title, went out to Sturgess, the South African, winning by 3-6, 6-4, 3-6, 6-1, 6-3.

Thousands packed Wimbledon in almost tropical heat to watch the four big matches and never had a louder cheer heard than when the ambidextrous Australian Bromwich beat the holder, Falkenburg.

The young American took the first set comfortably with timely backhand drives, rather indifferently. The Australian warmed up in the second set and should have won it at 5-4 but he lost two set points and Falkenburg became two up.

Here the American adopted the trick which caused him to be bracketed earlier in the tournament by throwing away the next two sets, and it went to the fifth set as it did in last year's final. This time, however, it was the Australian that won it.

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DiMaggio Wields Bat Again

New York, June 27.

Joe DiMaggio played ball again today for the first time since spring training, as New York Yankees' star outfielder and his mates defeated Giants 5-3 in the annual Mayor O'Dwyer charity game at Yankee Stadium.

Favouring his ailing right heel only slightly, Joe played the full game but failed to make a hit in five times at bat. He walked once and popped to the infield four times. In the field he caught two easy flies.

Results of exhibition games today:

Cincinnati (N) 10 10 0
Detroit (A) 4 8 6
Cincinnati, c. Vandermere; c. Cooper, Howell.
Detroit, c. Kretlow; c. Swift.

New York (N) 3 9 2
New York (A) 5 5 0
Giants, c. Higbee; c. Westrum.

Yankee, c. Sanford; c. Berre. Silvera.

Cleveland (A) 3 5 0
Brooklyn (N) 4 12 0
Indians, c. Paige, Zoladak; c. Hegan, Trese.

Dodgers, c. Palica, Minner; c. Owen.

Philadelphia (N) 19 21 0
Philadelphia (A) 2 4 2
Phillies, c. Donnelly, Bicknell; c. Lopata, Silvera.

Astros, c. Patton, McCann; c. Astor.

Boston (N) 8 14 1
Rochester (N) 9 9 0
Boston, c. Antkowi, Voiselle, Barrett; c. Crandall, Livingston.

Rochester, c. Copeland, Grodzicki, Brake; c. Bucha.

St. Louis (A) 6 9 2
Harrisburg (Int) 5 11 0
St. Louis, c. Wiganer; c. Meas.

Harrisburg, c. Wood, Camp; c. Naragoh, Bannou.

—United Press.

COMMITTEE Vs. REST

A special Committee vs. Rest lawn bowls match will be played at the Kowloon Cricket Club on Sunday at 4 p.m.

Committee: R.E. Lee, W.A. Nicholas, R.E. Lawrence, R.E. Fisher (Skip); A. Abraham, J. Tibble, S.A. Gray and F. Goodwin (Skip); D.S. Green, C. Champlow, R.S. Capell and R. Leigh (Skip).

Rest: C. Thompson, A. Graham, A.E.P. Guest and J. Orrell (Skip); A.C. Tibble, W. Cowie, J.N. Wong and T. Lock (Skip); F. Howarth, J. Tang, Geo. Lee and A.J. Kow (Skip).

FRIENDLY GAME

The Hong Kong Cricket Club will meet the Sports Club in a friendly lawn bowls match tomorrow at 5.15 p.m.

HKCC: M. Oliver, A.S. Eason, A. Ker-Smith, W. Williamson (Skip); D. Phillips, T. Fairburn, J. Skinner and R.A. Edwards (Skip); G.W. Sewell, A.D. Humphrey, E.B. Mitchell and R. Wild (Skip); L.B. Wood, H.D. Lowe, A. Graham and A.E. Hawkins (Skip).

SC: G. Greiss, Egypt, and Miss B. Venter, South Africa, 9-7, 6-2.

Mrs. M. Blair and Miss J. Querrier, Britain, beat Mrs. H. Doltschell, Austria, and Mrs. H. Welles, 6-0, 6-3.

Women's Doubles, third round: Miss P. Rodgers and Mrs. J. Walcott, Britain, beat Mrs. S. Hammerley and Miss G. Woodgate, Britain, 7-5, 6-2.

Jean Gannon and Mrs. Betty Hillon (scotted), Britain, beat Mrs. M. R. King and Miss J. Short, Britain, 3-6, 6-0, 6-0.

Miss L. Brough and Mrs. Du Pont, United States, beat Miss M. Brennan, Britain, and Miss P. F. Hermans, Netherlands, 6-2, 6-3.

Mixed Doubles, third round: T. Johnson and Miss P. Gullerud, Sweden, beat P. Remy and Mrs. N. Adamson, France, 6-4, 5-7, 6-3.

A. Hamburger and Miss K. Tucker, Britain, beat N. Hensen and Miss L. Schru-Nielsen, Norway, 6-3, 2-6, 6-4.

F. Ampou, Philippines, and Miss G. Butler, United States, beat D. Bulle and Miss E. Wilford, Britain, 2-6, 6-4, 6-1.

E. Cocheil and Mrs. P. Todd, United States, beat A. Van Swol, Netherlands, and Mrs. W. Halford, Britain, 6-1, 6-2.

P. Sedgman, Australia, and Mrs. M. Menzies, Britain, beat K. Cockburn and Mrs. Watermeyer, South Africa, 6-1, 6-4.

G. Worthington and Mrs. T. Long, Australia, beat E. Whitman and Mrs. R. Woodgate, Britain, 6-2, 6-3.

St. Malou and Miss H. Struass, Czechoslovakia, beat J. Bagaria and Mrs. C. Gogner, France, 8-6, 8-0.

Mixed Doubles, fourth round: C. Fitch and Mrs. J. Quillies, Britain, beat R. Baines, Chile, and Mrs. R. Baker, United States, 6-4, 6-2.

Women's Doubles, second round: Miss L. Adamson and Mrs. M. Gubrie, Britain, 6-4, 6-2.



Mrs. S. Chiu (left) and Mrs. V. Fowler (right) of Craigengower, who have won all their games so far in the Ladies' "B" Tennis League—"China Mail" Photo.

Craigengower CC Ladies Defeat LRC At Tennis

In the only Ladies' "B" Doubles Tennis League fixture played yesterday, Craigengower Cricket Club did half a set better than expected, when they defeated Ladies' Recreation Club at Peak Road by 5½ sets to 3½.

The Men's "B" matches produced no major surprises, South China, Craigengower and CRC "B" all winning their games by comfortable margins.

By virtue of their splendid win yesterday, the Craigengower ladies should be able to complete their first round of matches with the maximum points, and should enter the second round of their fixtures two points ahead of their nearest rivals, the LRC.

As expected, the encounter between the two League leaders produced one of the keenest games in Division so far. The issue was not decided until the last game of the evening was over.

To Mrs. S. Chiu and Mrs. V. Fowler go the distinction of being the only pair in this event, who have not lost a single set yet. Their clean sweep of three sets yesterday provided the foundation for the Happy Valley Club's win.

Mrs. I. Souza and Miss Rosie Rumljahn again had the honour of winning the deciding game for their Club. With the score standing at 4½ to 3½, the decision depended on their match with Mrs. Pomeroy and Mrs. Kite. This was a ding-dong service game, until the score had mounted to 3-3.

With a final spurt, the Craigengower pair held their service game, and took the next two games in a row for set and match.

LRC gave a creditable performance and were rather unlucky to overshoot their mark. Conspicuous among them were Mrs. Allen and Mrs. Pomeroy.

Ladies' "B" Division
LRC 3½—CCC 5½
Mrs. Allen and Mrs. Kite (LRC) lost to Mrs. V. Fowler and Mrs. S. Chiu 1-6, drew with Mrs. I. Souza and Miss R. Rumljahn 6-6, beat Mrs. Castro and Mrs. T. Watson 6-3.

Mrs. I. Souza and Mrs. Campbell (LRC) lost to Mrs. V. Fowler and Mrs. S. Chiu 1-6, lost to Mrs. Souza and Miss R. Rumljahn 1-6, beat Mrs. Castro and Mrs. Watson 6-2.

Mrs. Pomeroy and Mrs. Scholze (LRC) lost to Mrs. V. Fowler and Mrs. S. Chiu 3-6, lost to Mrs. Souza and Miss R. Rumljahn 3-6, beat Mrs. Castro and Mrs. Watson 4-6.

Recre v. CRC (postponed). USC v. KCC (postponed).

Men's "B" Division
Kowloon Tong "Blue" 9—LRC 0
C. Lau and Lee Ming (KT "Blue") beat Hurlbutt and Smart 6-4, beat A. Bonnerman and Saul 7-6, beat Baker and McCall 6-1.

George Lin and S.P. Tso (KT "Blue") beat Hurlbutt and Smart 6-3, beat Bonnerman and Saul 6-2, beat Baker and McCall 6-3.

K. Lau and P. Yoo (KT "Blue") beat Hurlbutt and Smart 6-4, beat Bonnerman and Saul 6-4, beat Baker and McCall 6-0.

USRC 2—CRC "B" 7
F.A. Fisher and Major Halp (USRC) lost to L. C. Kowloon and N. M. 1-6, lost to A. Lau and P.C. Kwok 4-6, lost to P.L. Poon and E.H. Chan 2-6.

A.H. Duen and P. Poon (USRC) lost to Kowloon and M. 1-6, lost to A. Lau and Kwok 4-6, lost to Poon and Chan 6-4.

K. Kiddy and W.C. Poon (USRC) lost to Kowloon and M. 2-6, beat Lau and Kwok 6-4, lost to Poon and Chan 1-6.

IRC 2½—SOAA 6½
H.D. Rumljahn and H. Rumljahn (IRC) lost to P. Poon and K. Lau 1-6, lost to P. Y. and C.N. Chan 1-6, beat P.Y. Kwok and C.M. Tang 6-3.

I.M. A. Haxek and O. H. Haxek (IRC) lost to Poon and Lau 4-6, lost to Yu and Chan 4-6, beat Kwok and Tang 6-2.

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